

TOWN OF DERRY



**ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 2006**

TOWN OFFICERS

Town Council

Brian K. Chirichiello, Chair
District #4
(2007)

Janet Fairbanks
District #1
(2009)

R. Christopher Reisdorf
District #2
(2007)

Beverly A. Ferrante
District #3
(2008)

Patricia A. Dowling
Councilor-at-Large
(2007)

Craig W. Bulkley
Councilor-at-Large
(2008)

Kevin L. Coyle
Councilor-at-Large
(2009)

Treasurer

Rita Correia
(2007)

Town Clerk

Denise E. Neale
(2007)

Moderator

Margaret Ives
(2008)

Supervisors of the Checklist

Peter J. Correia
(2008)

Mayland P. Lewis
(2010)

Roland Routhier
(2012)

Derry Public Library Trustees

Katherine Prudhomme-O'Brien
(2007)

Joan Paduchowski
(2007)

Paul Lofler
(2008)

T. J. Paton
(2008)

Marilyn Sullivan
(2008)

Phyllis D. Howard
(2009)

Kathleen McPherson
(2009)

TOWN OFFICERS

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Taylor Library Trustees

Candace Andrews
(2007)

Ben Hamblett
(2007)

Edward Ciancio
(2008)

Betsy D. Wolfe
(2008)

Pamela Otis
(2009)

Trustees of Trust Funds

Michael Gill
(2007)

Mario Iannaccone
(2008)

Grant G. Benson, Jr.
(2009)

Charter Commission

Kevin L. Coyle
Chair

Frank Sapareto
Vice Chair

Paul Hopfgarten
Secretary

Brent Carney
Commissioner

Thomas Cardon
Commissioner

Howie Lund
Commissioner

Robert Marquis
Commissioner

Doug Newell
Commissioner

Sandra Shapiro
Commissioner

TOWN DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Russell R. Marcoux, Town Administrator

HUMAN RESOURCES & ADMINISTRATION

Larry Budreau
Director

IT/GIS

Douglas Rathburn
Manager

Cable 17

Barbara Ellingwood
Administrator

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Frank Childs, Chief Financial Officer

Janice Mobsby, Controller

David N. Gomez, Assessor

Patricia Milone, Tax Collector

Vacant, Human Services Administrator

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Edward B. Garone, Chief

George Feole, Captain

Vern Thomas, Captain

Marlene Bishop, Animal Control Officer

FIRE DEPARTMENT & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

George Klauber, Chief

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

George Sioras, Director

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Michael Fowler, Director

Thomas Carrier, Water/Wastewater Superintendent & Deputy Director

Alan Côté, Superintendent of Operations

Eric Bodenrader, Parks and Recreation Director

Robert Mackey, Code Enforcement

TOWN BOARDS & COMMITTEES

PLANNING BOARD

Virginia Roach, Chair (2007)	David Nelson, Vice Chair (2007)	Ann Evans, Sec. (2009)
Jim MacEachern (2008)	David MacPherson (2008)	Neal Ochs (2009)
R. Christopher Reisdorf Council Representative	Philip Picillo Town Administrator Designee	Thomas Carrier Administrative Rep.

Alternates

Richard Tripp (2008)	David Granese (2009)	Vacancy (2007)
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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Mark D. Wiseman, Chair (2007)	Allan D. Virr, Vice Chair (2007)	Cecile Cormier, Secretary (2008)
Andrew Myers (2008)	Michael DeMeo (2009)	

Alternates

Dana Tripp (2007)	Randall Chase (2008)	Christopher Lunetta (2008)
Albert Dimmock (2009)		Vacancy (2007)

HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Alan Cote, Public Works	Grant Benson, Jr., Chair, 1 st Member-at-Large
Chief Edward B. Garone, Police	Tom Caron, 2 nd Member-at-Large
Chief George Klauber, Fire	Randall Chase, 3 rd Member-at-Large
Jane Landry, School	Timothy Sharretts, 4 th Member-at-Large
	Michael Gill, 5 th Member-at-Large
	John Gleason, 6 th Member-at-Large

DERRY HOUSING AUTHORITY

Robert Fleig, Executive Director

Board of Commissioners

J. Leonard Sweeney III, Chair (2011)	Frederick Tompkins, Vice Chair (2009)
David Milz (2007)	Thomas G. Hosey (2010)

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Paul Dionne, Chair (2009)	John Dooney, Vice Chair (2008)	William Hoyt, Secretary (2007)
Margaret Ives (2007)	Albert Doolittle (2008)	Eleanor Sarcione (2009)
Dennis Wiley (2009)	Beverly Ferrante Council Representative	

Alternates

Mark Reimer (2007)	James Arruda (2008)	Margaret Kinsella (2009)
	Marianne Page (2009)	

HERITAGE COMMISSION

Richard Holmes, Chair (2007)	Ralph Bonner, Vice Chair (2008)	Rebecca Rutter, Secretary (2008)
Janice Rioux (2007)	Janet Fairbanks Council Representative	

Alternates

Bill Petch (2008)	Marion R. Pounder (2007)	Brian Buckley (2009)
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SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION

David Gomez (2008)	Jack Dowd (2008)	Brian Chirichiello (2008)	Joel Olbricht (2008)
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Alternates

Vacant (2008)	Beverly Ferrante (2008)
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TOWN OF DERRY
DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES

Town Council
Town Administrator
Charter Commission
Community Cable TV17
Community Development
Conservation Commission
Derry Public Library

Derry Fire Department

Ambulance Services
Dispatch Services
Emergency Management

Finance Department

Assessing
Finance
Human Services
Tax Collector

Heritage Commission
Highway Safety Committee
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

Human Resources

Public Health
IT/GIS

Planning Board

Police Department

Animal Control

Public Works

Building & Grounds
Cemetery
Code Enforcement/Building/Zoning
Highway Division
Parks & Recreation
Transfer Station
Vehicle Maintenance
Water / Wastewater Division
Supervisor of the Checklist
Taylor Library
Town Clerk
Treasurer
Zoning Board of Adjustment

TOWN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal 2006 has been an exciting year for the Town of Derry.

It is an honor to serve the Town not only as the District Four Councilor, but to have become the Council Chair in March of this year. It has also been a pleasure to serve with this Council, who has worked very hard to do what is best for the community of Derry and for that I would like to thank them all for the respectful and professional manner in which we have conducted the town's business.

Our very professional staff, through the leadership of our Town Administrator, have continued to not only increase the quality and delivery of services to the Town but have also raised the level of professionalism in our organization. We should be very proud of not only our management team but all our employees. Our management team is second to none in the State of New Hampshire.

This year saw the election of two new council members: Kevin Coyle, Councilor-at-Large and Janet Fairbanks as the District One Councilor. Marge Swanson also retired as Town Clerk and the Council appointed Denise Neale as her replacement until the March, 2007 elections.

There have been many accomplishments over the past year, none of which would have been possible without the leadership of our department managers and the dedication and commitment of our town employees. On behalf of the Town Council, I would also like to thank all of you.

Again during the year, the Town Council worked with the Administrator and Department Managers to set in place some very lofty goals for this past year. The top priorities of the Council were to continue to support and grow our economic development effort, support the widening of the I-93 project and to put an all out effort to get final approval of the Exit 4-A project before the widening of I-93 passes by Derry. That project is nearing the (EIS) Environmental Impact Statement phase.

This year saw the approval of a Tax Incentive Financing (TIF) district on Manchester Road (Rt. 28-N) with a major retailer leading the incoming project list. The Ash Street Corporate Park saw two more lots sold, leaving only one remaining lot to complete that project. As you know, that four lot development was originally targeted for full build out in five years. We are now thirty months into it and we have three buildings already completed and occupied. It is anticipated that the largest lot will be under agreement very soon. This development will eventually offset close to a million dollars of residential taxes. The Council will possibly be considering other sites for future TIF's.

As we mentioned earlier, progress on Exit 4-A is moving along very well, thanks to the efforts of this Council and a very supportive relationship with the Londonderry Town Council. The project has also received positive support from the 14-town Regional Economic Development effort of Southern New Hampshire Planning, New Hampshire Departments of Transportation and Environmental Services, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Army Corps of Engineers. The Governor and the Governors' Council have also been working very closely with the towns and have provided much support and encouragement.

This year, we also took an active role in opposing SB 190 dealing with Workforce Housing and its probable affect on Derry in the future. We anticipate this bill will resurface in some form in this next legislative session.

Through our budget process, we have encouraged the automation of the system at the Taylor Library in hopes that our two library Boards of Trustees will work together to investigate the creation of a single library system in the town.

The revitalization of the downtown has been a project that is moving a little slower, but in a positive direction. We have seen new restaurants, a bakery and a few other retail businesses start up. The number one issue remains parking. Even though we have identified 1200+ spaces, they are not well marked and we need to address this issue. The Council and the Planning Board have also been meeting jointly to identify where we need to improve zoning and updating the Growth Management Ordinance as well as continuing to work towards the implementation of our Master Plan. This year saw the purchase of two lots in the downtown from the Derry Housing and Redevelopment Authority for future development in the downtown.

This year also saw a few more people who stepped forward to volunteer their time and services for the many positions on the various boards that make up the fabric of the town. On behalf of the citizens of Derry and the Town Council - **THANK YOU.**

Finally, I would like to thank the citizens of Derry for their support and I look forward to serving you on the Town Council.

Respectfully,

Brian Chirichiello

Brian Chirichiello
Town Council Chair

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

Along with the end of fiscal year 2006, comes the end of my second year as Derry's Town Administrator. Again, this year we have experienced many exciting projects and events that have an effect on our Town. To name a few: we have incorporated vehicle registration into the Tax Collector's Office and taken our vehicle registrations on line with the state; our revaluation of all town property was completed on time to affect the tax rate set in October, 2006; developed a School Emergency Safety Plan (tested in May, 2006), including all hazard emergency lines; completed the town-wide Emergency Operations Plan (which was "real time" tested with the Mother's Day floods); begun the Forest Hill Cemetery expansion program; adopted and are enforcing a comprehensive fire code and code enforcement program for the town; continue to work with the Nutfield Senior Center group to construct a senior center in the Upper Village Hall building; saw the sale of two lots at the Ash Street Corporate Park and the opening of two new businesses on those sites and the approval of the Tax Increment Financing District (TIF) on Route 28-North. It has been usually my custom to leave the reporting of the many accomplishments in the various departments to Department Managers who have overseen their respective projects, and once again, I leave that task in their capable hands. The Town Council, through its Chair, Brian Chirichiello, will report on their progress.

I would, however, like to take this opportunity to make a few observations about this great community and its strengths. It is very obvious as you take an objective tour of the community and see the infrastructure in place, that there is incredible energy in this community and its government. Much of the credit for these accomplishments goes not only to the Town Council, Department Managers, and staff but to you, the citizens, who support the efforts of your government. Just take a look at our WEB page: www.derry-nh.org for not only very informative information, but the "virtual" WEB page (that will soon be updated for this upcoming year) which is used to best describe the great attributes of Derry. In order to succeed with those accomplishments, it takes a supportive Council, a dedicated, professional and forward thinking staff plus a community willing and committed to moving forward.

There is a strong sense of commitment, a high level of community spirit volunteerism along with a strong desire to move forward. Your Town Council Chair's report outlines the many accomplishments of this past year. We look forward to working together to make Derry, N. H. a "destination community" in the future. We have been working with the Greater Manchester Chamber, the Greater Derry Chamber and area communities to blend together a regional approach to good government and services. Last fall we saw a new marketing program in the downtown, replete with wonderful, attractive banners, which are sponsored by our town's businesses, which depict some of historical buildings. This upcoming year's banners will incorporate a picture of Robert Frost, and the theme: "Welcome to Derry, Celebrating 180 years, 1827-2007."

We already have in place strong, cooperative relationships with many groups, and look forward to continuing to work with the Derry Economic Development Corporation (DEDC) to attract strong, healthy businesses to Derry to increase our tax base and economy. Our downtown area has already achieved significant improvements, and we look forward to more involvement of our downtown merchants and new and inviting businesses that will help to revitalize all of our downtown area. The opportunities here are exciting and will take the cooperation of the business community, property owners, organizations and town to make this happen. I have no doubt that, in time, we will all be proud of our gateway into Derry.

In any community, you would want a strong relationship between the town and school. I am happy to report that relationship has continued again this past year with Dr. John Moody, our School Superintendent, and with his successor, Mary Ellen Hannon. Both of our Boards have also met to discuss issues of mutual interest. Again this year, our Council invited elected representatives of all area communities to meet together to discuss some issues of mutual concern. That, as well, was very productive. The success of moving the Exit 4-A project forward is a direct result of that cooperation. I am also pleased to report that there is a very high level of professionalism in your town government. Our employees are committed to quality service. You should also take great pride in your Municipal Center, the services offered, your cable capabilities and the space it provides for community meetings. It, along with the Derry Municipal Court Building, is a focal point to your downtown landscape.

If you have any positive suggestions on how to make your local government more productive and ideas on how to improve our quality of life, feel free to contact us. You may even want to consider volunteering to serve in some capacity in your community. I look forward to working with the many local groups in town in order to provide our community with the best services available. We look forward to the coming year and the many challenges and opportunities facing this great town. I can't help but close with the same quote I have used these past two years: *"The only way to reach your long-range goals is through surviving your short-range objectives."* As we move forward we need to remember that *"the road to success is always under construction."* Again this year I will end with a very meaningful quote from Margaret Mead: *"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world: Indeed it's the only thing that ever has."* Being positive about your community and participating in its success has a much greater impact on its bottom line than finances alone. Thank you for allowing us to be part of this great community again this year.

Respectfully,

Russell R. Marcoux

Town Administrator

DERRY CHARTER COMMISSION

In March of this year, the voters approved a petition calling for the establishment of a Charter Commission to consider official ballot voting. The Charter Commission members were determined at a subsequent election in May. They include Brent Carney, Tom Cardon, Kevin Coyle, Paul Hopfgarten, Howie Lund, Bob Marquis, Doug Newell, Frank Sapareto, Sandy Shapiro. The Charter Commission has to determine whether the citizens of Derry want a greater say in how their government operates. The members of the commission have had several public hearings regarding official ballot voting and will present a preliminary proposal in the late part of October. Once the preliminary proposal is vetted by the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and the Department of Revenue, the Charter Commission will present a final proposal to be voted on at the March 2007 election.

Respectfully submitted
Kevin L. Coyle, Chairman

ASSESSING DIVISION FISCAL YEAR 2006 ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year 2006 saw the completion of the Revaluation conducted from May 2005 through July 2006. Informal Hearings were held in June of 2006 with approximately 800 property owners scheduling appointments to review their new valuations set by VISION Appraisal Technologies, who assisted the Department with the overall process. Over the past three years, the real estate market continued to be very vibrant in Derry. Since June, however, we have seen some signs of a slow down, and a leveling off of prices, though properties are still selling. The Town's new valuation for Tax Year 2006 is \$2,951,488,988, an increase of 28.8% over the prior year.

Also new to the Department from VISION Appraisal Technologies is their new Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal (CAMA) system which replaces the older (1989) UNIVERS CAMA system. All data from the old UNIVERS CAMA system was converted over to the VISION system. This conversion consumed much Department time and effort through the beginning stages of the revaluation project from early summer 2005 through November. We have found that the new VISION system is very user friendly and it has easy look up and reporting routines. There are two new workstations in the Public Research Area that have already shown the systems benefits to the Public, as it is easier to use and move from one data screen to the next. Property Record Cards are printable from each station.

VISION also has an excellent Web version with the ability to print property record cards and look up sale/assessment comparables on-line. This feature of the new system has saved and will continue to save the Department precious time as Fee Appraisers, Realtors, Attorney's, the General Public and the various Town Departments can easily access the data on-line. The Company hosts the data and we can update the web site as often as monthly for all data except photos, which we plan to update consistently on a quarterly basis when necessary.

Our recommendations regarding future Revaluations and or reassessment updates, to the Board of Assessors are a result of our continuous efforts to study the Real Estate Market. Since the market is always in a state of change, the Town needs to continue to keep its assessed values in line with that market activity according to State Law, the State Constitution, and new Assessment Standards being developed by the State Assessment Standards Board. The 2006 Town-wide Reassessment assures that the Town of Derry meets all Assessing Standards and Guidelines per DRA's review of the completed project.

We continue to recommend to the Board of Assessors (Town Council) that our regular program of cycled inspections moves forward each and every year, and the assessment update program moves forward every two years, the next being 2008. This process is crucial to the well being of the Town, not only from the individual taxpayers prospective, but also from the overall fiscal health of the Town. It assures that no one taxpayer will pay more than their fair share of the property tax burden in the Town of Derry.

Our statistical testing demonstrates, and confirms that the real estate market in Derry, as with the immediate region and the State, continues to be very strong and vibrant, as reported above. In the period from April 1, 2005 through March 2006, most classes of property continued to experience a rise in market value at approximately 7% per year (see the next paragraph regarding the Sales to Assessment Ratio). Again that trend shows a slow down in Derry through April 1, 2006, but properties continue to sell.

The State Department of Revenue Administration indicates through their sales to assessment ratio study conducted for 2005 that the Town's overall level of assessed value to market value was 75.3% (for 2004 it was 81.1%). We anticipate that the town's overall sales to assessment ratio for 2006 will be 100% as a result of the Revaluation completed for this year.

The Department of Revenue Administration's study also indicates the coefficient of dispersion (C.O.D.) to be 9.7% for year 2005 (8.8% for 2004). This C.O.D. is considered to be in the 'excellent' range, for tax year 2005. Due to the revaluation, tax year 2006 will be measured independently of any prior year's performance. The C.O.D. measures uniformity in assessments through ratio studies. It indicates the measure of appraisal uniformity that is independent of the level of appraisal (ratio) and permits direct comparisons between various properties (like and other properties). Any decision to conduct revaluations must consider this number above all others. If the C.O.D. approaches the 15% to 20% range, this would be unacceptable.

The Town's total net taxable valuation, upon which the tax rate was set for Tax Year 2005, was \$2,291,245,325, with a resulting tax rate of \$27.03 / \$1,000 of valuation. While there is no longer separate Fire District data to report, there is, however, a Village District within the Town of Derry known as Chase's Grove Village District. The net assessed value of this district reported to the NH Department of Revenue Administration for 2005 was \$7,237,500. There was no appropriation for tax purposes in 2005 therefore is no tax rate to report.

As always, I thank my staff for a job well done, especially through the last year with the challenges the Department faced with the Revaluation and a change in computer systems. Also, my thanks and sincere appreciation is extended to other Town Departments for their cooperation and patience, and our Consultants for the heavy amount of work they complete.

My staff and I wish to thank the public for their assistance, understanding and patience, especially through the Revaluation project. We are looking forward to a very healthy and productive Fiscal Year 2007 (Tax Year 2006).

Respectfully Submitted,

David N. Gomez

David N. Gomez, CMA, CNHA
Assessor

DERRY COMMUNITY TELEVISION, CABLE 17

Derry Community Television covers both the Public and Government side of local cable access. We strive to provide the town with the best possible product. That product is information. Channel 17 provides 'live' coverage of Town Council, Planning Board, Zoning Board, Conservation Commission, and Charter Commission Meetings. We also provide coverage of special workshops and public hearings. The Holiday Parade, Memorial Day Parade, Derryfest, and the Summer Concerts held at McGregor Park are covered each year through the efforts of our staff and volunteers with our Cable Truck. Daily community produced programs of diverse interests provide an entertaining and lighter side to C17 programming. Productions done 'in house' can range from "Eye on Health" to "Capital Chat with Phyllis and Pat" to a series by the Community Alliance for Teen Safety, to The Flute Ensemble. Our programming is as diverse as our community itself.

In between programming the Community Bulletin Board (Message Board) can be viewed. Public Service Announcements are updated daily informing residents of upcoming events and activities. Our Program Guide is also available along with current weather conditions.

With each year comes new technology. Through the efforts of our staff Sean Fichera and Chris Martin we installed the Tightrope Media System. This system brings with it a more efficient and user friendly interface both for staff and the community. Incorporating the Tightrope System it has provided for more flexible program scheduling, and prevents playback deck conflicts. The addition of a Video Server for Digital Playback allows us to edit and transfer video files to the server for airing. This has allowed us to expand our Programming Schedule. The system also provides Program Guide availability to Public/ Web Schedule and will allow integration with the Message Board. With some guidelines, organizations can create their own public announcements and have it ready to be added to the Message Board.

This system proved to be a great asset during the Mother's Day Flood. Working closely with Emergency Management, Fire, Police, Public Works and the Superintendent of Schools the community was kept well informed of road closures, shelter locations and other emergency announcements throughout the event, both over Cable 17 and Cable 6 with slides and a continual crawl at the bottom of the screen.

With each new improvement we strive to provide quality broadcasting that meets the needs of our communityemphasizing *Community* in Derry Community Television. This is your station.

In closing I would like to thank all the volunteers who have helped cover events throughout the year and to the producers who have produced shows. There is always room for new volunteers and producers! We offer camera, and editing classes as well as 'How To Produce a Show' Workshops. To learn more about Derry Community Television, C17 go to our website at Derryctv.com or email us at Derryctv@ci.derry.nh.us or call us at 845-5514. We are located in the lower level of the Derry Municipal Center.

Respectfully Submitted

Barb Ellingwood
Station Administrator
Derry Community Television, C17

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL TOWN REPORT FY 2006

Fiscal Year 2006 activity remained steady for the department. Our ongoing efforts to be a business friendly community has seen positive results as new commercial businesses have opened throughout town during the last year. Additionally, we saw the development and completion of three new light industrial and manufacturing businesses open in the Ash Street Corporate Park. It is the hope of the town to have the fourth lot under a purchase and sales agreement in 2007.

This past year the department has begun working with officials from Sanmina Corporation and Wal-Mart on the redevelopment of the Sanmina property on Manchester Road. We have begun Technical Review Committee meetings with Wal-Mart's engineers on their superstore site plan. It is Wal-Mart's plan to have a site plan to the Planning Board in early 2007 and have the new store open in early 2008.

The department has also been involved in several long-term planning initiatives and committees. We are an active member of the Rockingham Economic Development Corporation as well as a member of the MetroCenter marketing committee working with the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce on regional economic development issues.

The department is a member of the Beaver Lake Watershed Partnership initiative which is working on a plan for the protection of the Beaver Lake watershed and examining future development around the lake.

We are also a member of the Greater Derry-Salem Cooperative Alliance for Regional Transportation (CART). This past year we secured funding for a new van for elderly, handicapped, and low-income residents in the region. The van is to go online in the Fall of 2006.

The department also was a member of the Fire Department Shute's Corner station building committee. We also continue our work on the Exit 4A project working with the town's consulting engineers and the NHDOT. Additionally, we have actively participated in the NHDOT's Community Technical Assistance Program (CTAP). Many CTAP meetings were held during the past year. The program is the NHDOT's long-term look on how to assist communities to deal with the impact of future development when Interstate 93 is widened. This program will provide technical assistance to local community boards and commissions in the I-93 corridor.

Finally, the department, this past year provided assistance to the Town Council, Town Administrator, Public Works Department, Finance Department, and Tax Assessor on the creation of the Rt. 28 Corridor Tax Increment Finance District. Hopefully, this project will provide the necessary infrastructure improvements to the Rt.28 (Manchester Road) corridor to spur economic development in that area of town and increase the town's non-residential tax base.

In closing, as part of staff support to the Planning Board, I would like to thank all of the Planning Board members for their continued support and assistance. I would like to thank our new chairman, Ginny Roach, for her assistance as well. I also want to acknowledge and thank Jeanne Owen in my office for keeping all the planning duties on track and thanks to the Code Enforcement, Public Works, Fire Prevention, and Police departments for their cooperation and assistance. We strive to better serve the community in a professional, prompt manner.

Respectfully Submitted,

George H. Sioras
Director

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission continues to meet the second and fourth Mondays each month. Our meetings are held at 7:30PM in the Derry Municipal Center. The meetings are all open to the public and are broadcast on Cable Channel 17. We review all wetland applications as well as all site plans, as part of the town's technical review process. The Commission conducts site walks for a vast majority of the plans we review, which is a time commitment, but it also gives a real look at the parcel. Many times this is not possible with a set of development plans. We even did site walks in all the spring & summer rain storms!

The purchase of the Caras property was completed in June, a five year process. This provides protection of the major water source that feeds Beaver Lake, Manter Brook, as well as stopping development of nearly 30 houses in the Beaver Lake Watershed. We are pleased that The Rockingham Land Trust agreed to be the easement holder for this property, our third project with the RLT. They also are stewards at the Shepard Family Conservation Area, as well as the Corneilusen Property. As a member of the RLT Board of Directors, I abstained from any voting related to the Caras Property.

Among the continued community service projects completed this year, we had two Eagle Scout Community Service Projects finalized this summer. Charlie Jones constructed a trailhead for the Caras location off Faith Drive. This consisted of design, clearing and implementation, as well as construction of a trailhead information board. Derek Hoyt designed and constructed a picnic area at the Shepard Property on the Pond Road side of the parcel. It also required construction of a sign board as well as picnic tables. In addition, each of the three picnic areas has grills for cooking, and ash storage holders. Both of these are real benefits to the town of Derry and I congratulate these young men for jobs very well done.

The Community Garden plots at the Broadview Conservation Area grow in popularity each year and 2006 was no exception, in spite of the unusual weather. The DCC entered into another five year agreement with J & F Farms. We allow them to grow feed corn for their cattle, which improves the soil quality. In return, they maintain our hay meadow. The Rockingham Botanical Garden and the DCC have been meeting for nearly a year and are currently working on an agreement for a long term botanical garden educational center, which will be the only such facility in New Hampshire.

The DCC petitioned the Town Council and was successful in getting contiguous parcels totaling 18 acres in the West portion of town for a passive recreation/conservation area. A sub-committee of the Commission and interested citizens are meeting to form a long term vision of the parcels use.

Elections were held in May: Paul Dionne, Chairman; John Dooney, Vice-Chairman; Bill Hoyt, Secretary; Margaret Ives, Treasurer. Albert Doolittle, Eleanor Sarcione and Dennis Wiley are Regular Members. Alternates are James Arruda, Peg Kinsella, Marianne Page and Mark Reimer.

I was honored to be elected to the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions Board of Directors at the NHACC Annual Meeting last November.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Derry Conservation Commission,

Paul Dionne, Chairman

DERRY PUBLIC LIBRARY

It is difficult to believe that this venerable institution has been in existence for 100 years. As of August 10, 2005 we marked a century of service to the community. A lot has happened in this birthday year, since our grand birthday celebration last August.

After several months of preparation, the two-day Derry Public Library Centennial Celebration finally took place August 9 and 10, 2005. With the theme "Honoring the Past, Preparing for the Future", the Library worked with Parks and Recreation to schedule the Granite Statesman, a popular barbershop quartet group, as the Tuesday concert in MacGregor Park on the 9th. This was especially fitting since the Library in its early days was the rehearsal hall for the local barbershop quartet and Sweet Adelines. Hood Dairy had a large part to play in the history of the town, and generously sponsored a free "ice cream social" featuring their new "Champions" ice cream cups, a very popular attraction! Two large sheet cakes donated by the Friends of the Derry Public Libraries also rapidly disappeared, with more than a hundred people in attendance.

August 10 was the actual anniversary of the opening of Derry Public Library in the then-new Adams Memorial Building in 1905. Prior to the ceremonies at the Adams Building, the "Centennial String Quartet" comprised of musicians from Londonderry High School performed while 71 guests mingled and enjoyed refreshments served by the Friends. An honor guard from the Derry Fire Department opened the celebration with a flag ceremony and the Pledge to the Flag. Introduced by Master of Ceremonies, Jack Robillard (Assistant Director of the Library), town historian Rick Holmes gave an outstanding talk about the history of the Library and its past, after which keynote speaker, Tom Frey, lead futurist from the da Vinci Institute, spoke on the future of libraries. Elizabeth Ives, long-time trustee of the Library, was honored with a plaque recognizing her contributions to the Library and to Derry, presented by Library Director, Cheryl Lynch. After closing remarks by Jack Robillard, the assembly was led in parade by James Lundt, bagpiper, back to the Library (protected at the Crystal Ave. intersection by one of Derry's finest on patrol) where another sheet cake decorated with the image of the Library's historic stained glass window presided over tables of refreshments. Channel 17 videotaped the program, and the Library has been receiving lots of compliments from viewers who have seen the broadcasts.

In the afternoon, over a hundred children and parents attended a "birthday party" for the Library (with a fourth sheet cake!), many bringing presents for the Children's Department. Closing the events for the Centennial, "3 Voices", a performance group comprised of Rebecca Rule, Diana Durham, and Maren Tirabassi, gave a program called "The Rock, The Grail and The Wardrobe" which was enjoyed by 31 people.

As part of the birthday celebration we wanted to have two special preservation projects. The first was the rehabilitation of the MacGregor stained glass window and the second involved converting the wood burning fireplace to gas.

We received permission from the fire department to convert the wood-burning fireplace given by Elsie Gaskin in 1926 to a gas fired unit. The Derry Village Rotary Club and Energy North donated the gas line, the ceramic logs and the labor required to install them. We now have a working fireplace.

The MacGregor stained glass window was sent to Lyn Hovey Studio in Hyde Park, Massachusetts to be repaired. Funding was provided by a "Moose Plate" Conservation Grant from the New Hampshire Council on the Arts and contributions from library patrons, local businesses and service organizations. Prior to restoration the window was, quite literally, falling in on itself. The original lead was crumbling and causing the window glass to crack. The restoration included a thorough cleaning, re-leading and replacement of mismatched and damaged glass. All of the replaced glass was saved for historical purposes.

In September our new HVAC compressor was delivered and installed. Everybody held their breath while a crane gingerly lifted the massive piece of equipment from the truck and delicately placed it inside the chiller pad next to the library. It has been humming along quite nicely ever since. It is also more efficient; even though the cost of power has soared we have been saving on our electric bills.

To increase the efficiency of the administrative aspect of our operation we now process our accounts payable and payroll through the town's finance department. We are electronically connected to the MUNIS accounting system and we now use the town's tax identification number. We have surrendered our unique tax identification number.

The Children's department has had another active year. The summer reading theme was "Treasure Reading" with a concentration on pirates. Additional programs included: Wildlife Encounters, complete with snakes, lizards and other creepy-crawlies and Almodarr's Grand Illusion, an entertainment with lots and lots of magic. Our Children's librarian, Adele Boeske, continues to do cooperative programming with the Derry Recreation Dept at the Very Derry Holiday story times and programs. She even participated in the Teddy Bear Picnic at Hood Park.

The Derry Public Library Board of Trustees meets the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. The public is welcome and minutes of the meeting are available at the library. The election in March gave us a new board member, Kathy McPherson, and saw the re-election of Phyllis Howard. Officers elected in June were TJ Paton III, president; Kathy McPherson, vice-president; Joan Paduchowski, treasurer; and Phyllis Howard, secretary. This is a dedicated group of volunteers who, according to NH State Law, cannot accept money for their services. We thank them for their dedication and commitment to providing quality library services to the community.

Cheryl Lynch, Director and Staff
Derry Public Library

USE OF LIBRARY FOR FY 06**ADULT DEPARTMENT'S STATISTICS**

TYPE OF USE:	THIS YEAR
CIRCULATION	138481
PATRON VISITS	153757
REFERENCE QUESTIONS	10994
ILLS REQUESTED	1608
ILLS RECEIVED	1575
ILLS OTHERS REQUESTED	4782
ILLS OTHERS RECEIVED	4021
DERRY BORROWED CBC	5160
DERRY LOANED CBC	6370
NEW REGISTRATIONS	2236
INTERNET USE IN HOURS	13394
OVERDUE NOTICES SENT	7475
RESERVES TAKEN FOR PATRONS	7567
BOOKS ADDED	8964
BOOKS WITHDRAWN	5410
PROGRAMS - NUMBER HELD	15
PROGRAMS - NUMBER ATTEND	393
YA PROGRAMS - NUMBER HELD	94
YA PROGRAMS - NUMBER ATTEND	935
PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTER USE	737
INTERNET CLASSES SCHEDULED	11
INTERNET CLASSES - NUMBER ATTEND	8
NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS	43.5
VOLUNTEER HOURS	162

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

CIRCULATION	80747
REFERENCE QUESTIONS	3422
INTERNET USE (HOURS)	256
PROGRAMS - NUMBER HELD	320
PROGRAMS - NUMBER ATTEND	8063
PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTER USE	2841
NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS	43.5
VOLUNTEER HOURS	201

TOTAL STATISTICS FOR FY 06

CIRCULATION	219228
PATRON VISITS	153757
REFERENCE QUESTIONS	14416
ILLS REQUESTED	1608
ILLS RECEIVED	1575
ILLS OTHERS REQUESTED	4782
ILLS OTHERS RECEIVED	4021
NEW REGISTRATIONS	2236
INTERNET USE	13650
OVERDUE NOTICES SENT	7475
RESERVES TAKEN FOR PATRONS	7567
PROGRAMS - NUMBER HELD	335

PROGRAMS - NUMBER ATTEND	8456
BOOKS ADDED	8964
BOOKS WITHDRAWN	5410
PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTER USE	3578
BORROWED CBC	5160
LOANED CBC	6370
NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS	87
VOLUNTEER HOURS	363

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Derry Fire Department and Office of Emergency Management

The Derry Fire Department is a full service fire department that provides emergency services and protection from fire, natural and manmade disasters, and medical emergencies. It provides these services through four integrated and related areas within the Department – Fire, EMS, Emergency Dispatch and Emergency Management.

The Derry Fire Department provides fire protection through education, enforcement and suppression activities. We respond from four fire stations located throughout the Town and Administrative and Code Enforcement offices located in the Municipal Center.

The Derry Fire Department operated for its first year as a consolidated fire department in 2006. The consolidation was very successful and was seamless to those citizens that we serve. The Department operated in a more efficient and more effective manner in delivering those fire safety, suppression and EMS services.

The Department's Building Committee continued the process of determining an appropriate site location and plans for a fire facility that would replace the Downtown Fire Station. The vision statement, time lines for construction and operation, and the recommendations for a building site were presented to the Town Council. The Council will make their recommendations in the fall of 2006 regarding the new fire station. The Fire Department Building Committee awaits the Town Council's approval of the project.

On behalf of the Town of Derry and the Derry Fire Department I want to thank retired Fire Fighter Richard Dougherty for his twenty –one years of service to our fire department. We all wish Dick and his family well on his retirement. His experience and dedication to the Town and Fire Department will certainly be missed.

Derry Fire hired eight new employees this year, five (5) firefighter/paramedics and two (2) firefighters who each averaged over six (6) years of experience on other career departments before coming to Derry. FF/P Steve Augier, FF/P Jason Case, FF/P Dennis Livoli, FF/ P Mike Harris, FF/P Kyle Jamieson, and FF Steve Roberts, FF Tim Hebert and FF Brad Saunders. The ability of the Derry Fire Department to be a magnet fire department has been essential in our

recruiting, especially since there are only a few, entry level, qualified firefighter/paramedics across the entire state available for hire each year. We welcome them and wish them a long and safe career.

Firefighter/Paramedic Greg Laro received the 2006 VFW Firefighter of the Year Award; Greg was unanimously chosen for this award by the Chief Officers of the Department.

Ambulance

The Firefighter/Paramedics that staff our ambulances are respected leaders in our region and provide patient care that is unparalleled in the emergency medical services community. The Department continues to be one of only seven (7) Nationally Accredited Fire Department-Based Ambulance Services in the nation and the only accredited Department in New England. The Department currently provides emergency medical services from all four fire stations in Derry. There is an ambulance located at each of the four fire stations. The ambulances located at the English Range Station and Island Pond Station are cross staffed with the firefighters that also staff the fire engines located at those stations. The Central Station and the Hampstead Road Station have ambulances that are staffed with two Firefighters/Paramedics. These firefighters cross staff the ladder truck, tanker, rescues vehicle and specialized trailers.

The Derry Fire Department provides Advanced Life Support (ALS) with a trained staff that includes twenty-four advanced life support trained Firefighter/Paramedics with at least one Paramedic assigned to each apparatus and ambulances that are in service. This level of service allows the Department to dispatch at least two Paramedics to the scene of a patient(s) that is critically ill or seriously injured. The Department continues to be one of two Fire Department Based Ambulance Services in the state trained and qualified to practice some of the more advanced ALS procedures. Our EMS providers continue to broaden their scope of practice by incorporating the latest in life-saving techniques, training, and equipment.

In September of 2005 the Homeland Security Grant Review Committee awarded the Derry Fire Department a grant for the purchase of human simulation training manikins. Human simulation is considered state of the art for hands on training, allowing our EMTs and Paramedics to practice and refine advanced patient care skills in a controlled environment. Additionally,

Human Simulation introduces our EMTs and Paramedics to illness or injuries resulting from the unconceivable threat of Weapons of Mass Destruction.

The Department upgraded our capabilities this year when we put into operation a bariatric loading and transport system. Bariatrics is the branch of medicine that deals with obesity. A hydraulic lift assist stretcher and specially designed loading ramps ensure the safe and efficient care and transport of the obese patient. The Derry Fire Department continues to support Public Access to Defibrillation, a vital link in the chain of survival for out of hospital cardiac arrests. The Department placed an additional Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in the Municipal Center and trained municipal center staff in CPR/AED.

Refresher EMS training as required for National Registry recertification and State of New Hampshire licensure for all levels of EMS providers was completed this last year. Our EMTs/Paramedics completed over 3500 hours of EMS instruction, averaging 48 hours per firefighter. In depth didactic and practical skill trainings was provided by department's licensed EMS instructor/coordinators leading to successful completion of State of New Hampshire, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, practical skill examinations. A drill held at the former Sanmina site allowed for our updated Mass Casualty Plan to be reviewed for effectiveness with great success.

The Department's Bike Medic team continues to be active at public events. This specialized medical team can access medical emergencies more effectively in public gatherings, parades and events that are located in remote locations (such as bike paths).

Emergency Dispatch

The Communications Division of the Fire Department dispatches fire and ambulance calls throughout the Greater Derry area. They provide dispatch services for not only for Derry Fire and Derry Ambulance and four other communities, Windham, Auburn, Chester, Hampstead, and the Hazardous Material District. In 2006 the communications center handled more than 6842 emergency calls. The Department also received new digital portable radios that allowed each member of the Department to have a radio assigned to them. The equipment was made available through a State grant at a minimal cost to the Town.

Fire

The Department continued to maintain a level of service that was at the prior year's levels. After the consolidation of the two fire departments staffing levels were maintained at eighteen firefighters per shift 18 per shift. This will provide a higher level of service and the less frequent use of recalls to staff apparatus that was occurring multiple times daily. The end result will be a better and more reliable service.

The Derry Fire Department conducted over 7500 person/hours of fire and rescue training during 2006, averaging over 100 hours per firefighter. Much of the training was coordinated to support over \$150,000 in Homeland Security Grants on Emergency Preparedness, Hazardous Materials and Respiratory Protection, and Heavy Rescue Equipment that the department has received in the past eighteen months. The training included specialized courses in heavy rescue, building collapse, trench rescue specialist, and vehicle extrication.

This specialized training was in addition to the regular training on such firefighting topics as ventilation, forcible entry, search and rescue, hazardous materials, and emergency vehicle operations. Also, in 2006 the Derry Fire Department conducted training in the National Incident Management Systems, achieving 100% compliance in this first phase of federally mandated training. The drill conducted at the former Sanmina site developed and evaluated our Structural Collapse Program

During FY 2006 the following capital improvement projects where completed

- Purchase of new fire engine for Island Pond Station
- Purchase of trench rescue trailer and equipment
- Replacement of Taylor Mill Dry Hydrant
- The Island Pond Station received an interior upgrade to the living quarters. These upgrades included the electrical system, kitchen suppression system / detection system, and energy efficient appliances. The bunkrooms and bathroom required reconfiguration to provide for co-ed assignment and safety of personnel. The station also received interior painting and new flooring. This project was completed without any interruption of service to the constituents of that district.

- A complete redesign and replacement of the parking lot at the Island Pond Station is being overseen by the Department of Public Works; this was due to failure of the parking lot.
- An original 1972 HVAC unit required replacement at the Central station. This unit provided air conditioning to the living quarters and heat to a portion of the apparatus floor.
- Fire Alarm system installed at Central Station including a suppression system for the cooking appliance

Emergency Management

Two major events occurred in 2006 that tested the state of readiness for the Derry Office of Emergency Management (OEM). In April the OEM conducted a drill that tested the regional response as well as our own capabilities to respond to a Weapons of Mass Destruction incident. A drill was conducted at the former Sanmina site that included the OEM, Town Administration, Fire and EMS, Police, Public Works, Finance, Derry School system, Pinkerton Academy, as well as numerous surrounding communities. The drill was overseen and evaluated by the State Office of Emergency Management. The event was a success and only minor adjustments to the town Emergency Operations Plan were required.

In May of this year of this year the Plan was put into affect when historic flooding occurred throughout southern New Hampshire and shut the Town of Derry down for nearly three days. The opportunity to test and evaluate the plan only the week before had Derry responders prepared and trained. With cooperation of all Town Departments and the Town Administration, Derry was nearly back to normal within three (3) days. Public works and Finance worked with FEMA to recuperate funds that were expended by the Town for this major incident.

This year the Office of Emergency Management placed a mobile command post (MCP) into service. This valuable piece of equipment will be shared by all Town Departments. This will allow the town to have a safe and adequate command post when operating at both emergency and non-emergency incidents. The 90% of the funds used to purchase the mobile command post and the equipment installed in the mobile command post were received through two State of New Hampshire Homeland Security Grants that were received by the Town.

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) made additional improvements at the Town's Emergency Operations Center, which is located at the Municipal Center. Upgrades include computer equipment including and incident management tools. Upgrade of the Reverse 911 system and communication enhancements

During the past 10 months emergency management staff in collaboration with all other town departments has completed the redrafting of the Basic EOP in ESF format. The plan has also been updated to include recent hazard possibilities, such as a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and biological events. The purpose of this update was to redraft the Town of Derry Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) in Emergency Support Function Format (ESF). The ESF concept was developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the late 1980s to address the potential management concerns that would be necessary to coordinate a federal response to a catastrophic event. Redrafting our EOP in ESF format aligns our emergency response plan with state and federal plans. The ESF format is a mechanism that consolidates multiple agencies that perform similar or like functions into a single, cohesive unit to allow for the better management of emergency response functions.

This Bureau is funded by grants from the NH Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to build increased public health infrastructure and capacity in the Greater Derry region including the towns of: Atkinson, Chester, Danville, Derry, Hampstead, Londonderry, Plaistow, Salem, Sandown and Windham.

In its initial year with the Town of Derry, this initiative has accomplished much. Below are some of the projects that this new Bureau of Public Health has been working on.

The Town of Derry has 126 Food Service Establishments. These include a wide range of establishments including: Gas Stations selling basic necessities; ice cream parlors; take-out and dine-in restaurants; supermarkets, day cares that serve food, nursing homes and a hospital. The Bureau's Deputy Health Officer who is responsible for inspection and compliance is currently employed part-time (20 hours) by the Town of Derry. The Bureau of Public Health enforces the NH Rules for the Sanitary Production and Distribution of Food (He-P 2300 Food Code). Much time and attention was devoted to automating the Food Service Licensing this year to enhance the capabilities of the Bureau in licensing, inspection, and compliance issues. The Bureau has

written and implemented Department applications, guidance documents, protocols and procedures for new and existing Food Service Establishments in Derry. The Bureau of Public Health responds to reports/complaints of commercial health violations such as residents reporting illness due to ingesting food at a food service establishment or finding a foreign object in their food. The Bureau worked closely with the Derry Fire Department to respond to fire/smoke damage that occurred in two Food Service Establishments. The Bureau is also responsible to conduct Health Facilities inspections such as Diagnostic labs as well as complete facilities inspections of all school buildings.

The Bureau responds to residents' reports/complaints of health issues at residential properties. Some of the issues we have responded to are: squalor conditions, insect (bed bug) infestation, inadequate heat or hot water in rental units, vermin infestation, nuisance complaints (trash or junk accumulating on private property). The Health Officer conducted 26 residential inspections and spent 114 hours responding to Derry Residents' housing complaints. The Health Officer often coordinates inspections with the Derry Building Code Director as well as the Derry Fire Inspector.

There are 24 licensed Day Care facilities that are inspected by the Bureau. There are currently 13 Foster Care homes that are inspected as well. The State of NH requires that these facilities be inspected a minimum of once every three years. However, the Bureau of Public Health will conduct an inspection and possible follow-up inspections if a complaint is filed against one of these types of facilities.

The Bureau responded to 150 calls and visits from residents who have questions concerning health issues. Some of the topics are: Avian flu; pandemic flu; EEE; dead bird handling; rabies and rabid animal handling; immunization schedules and clinics; food-borne illness; disease outbreak concerns; specific disease-related questions; and residential mold complaints.

The Bureau regularly conducts passive surveillance activities through on-line tracking (FluTracker) and monitoring of Derry District and Pinkerton Academy attendance rates. Conveys risk level information to Derry Fire/EMS, schools, and State of NH Disease Control and Surveillance Section.

The Bureau of Public Health held its first childhood immunization clinic on March 22, 2006. Since then, over 65 inoculations have been given to children who have little or no insurance.

Clinics are held monthly and are facilitated by the Bureau of Public Health in conjunction with the Derry District and Pinkerton Academy school nurses. Funding and personnel are through a DHHS grant to Home Health & Hospice.

The Greater Derry Area Health and Safety Council facilitate regional public health emergency planning with an emphasis on pandemic and Avian Flu. The group, SENH Public Health Emergencies Planning Team, meets monthly. This regional planning team is funded through a grant from the NH Department of Health and Human Services to enhance planning activities for a pandemic influenza event. The AHSC was requested by NH DHHS and NH Dept of Education to support local schools in creating Pandemic Flu plans. The AHSC has aided both Pinkerton Academy and the Derry Cooperative School District in creating their plans. The Bureau facilitated two (Derry & Salem) Avian Flu Public Forums. These were televised and VHS recordings were shared with 9 surrounding communities for their Cable channels. The bureau also facilitated a EEE/WNV Forum for municipal officials (March 06)

The Bureau Director coordinates, through a separate Federal Grant, the activities of the Derry Unit of the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC). The MRC comprises 126 medical volunteers and support volunteers to respond to local emergencies. Training is provided in areas such as Disaster Sheltering, Incident Command Structure, and Core Disaster Life Support. This year, 12 MRC volunteers were deployed to Louisiana in response to Hurricane Katrina; 24 MRC volunteers staffed an emergency shelter in May 2006 when our region suffered damage from severe flooding; several MRC volunteers staffed the Emergency Operations Center and Hotline during these floods; Volunteers have participated in large-scale Town-wide drills and exercises in Derry and Manchester.

Of special note, the Derry Unit of the MRC received the National Spotlight Award for August 2006 for its outstanding achievement and participation in emergency preparedness and response.

The bureau also sponsored public training this past year training with two National Food Safety program trainings for Food Service Establishments, NIMS – IS 700 trainings – MRC, School and hospital personnel and trained 59 Derry Police Officers in Avian Flu and Isolation and Quarantine

In July, 2006, the Commissioner of the NH Department of Health and Human Services declared Rockingham County to be under a Public Health Threat from Eastern Equine Encephalitis

(EEE). This declaration triggered much action at the local level. The Bureau of Public Health began a multi-faceted public education campaign to inform Derry residents of the importance of personal precautions. Mosquito surveillance activities began and the Town of Derry decided to approve mosquito treatment to help control the adult mosquito population at parks and school fields throughout Derry. This was a very successful collaborative effort between the NH DHHS, the Derry Bureau of Public Health, the Derry Department of Public Works, Derry Parks and Recreation, The Derry Fire Department, Derry Cooperative School District and Pinkerton Academy.

Our ability to meet increases in service demands remains strong. We take pride in the Department's capabilities and response personnel to handle all potential incidents or emergencies. The professionalism and dedication of our personnel is truly invaluable. Respectfully,

George Klauber, Fire Chief
Derry Fire Department

<i>Fire and Rescue Responses</i>		Prevention Activity	
Structure	42	Students	3735
Vehicle	15	Fire Station tours	27
Brush	36	General Public Safety Programs	2
Fires, other types	39	Fire Extinguisher training	8
Alarm call no fire	453	Blood Pressure Clinics	9
Hazardous Condition	135	Child Car seat installs	52
Good Intent	157		
Service Call	562	Inspections	
Rescue – extrication, elevator, water, etc.	20	Commercial Occupancy	473
ALS Response	1422	Residential Occupancy	264
BLS Response	772	Other Occupancy	10
Mutual Aid Given	53		
Mutual Aid Received	14	Oil Burner	83
		Gas Burner and/or piping	602
		Wood stove/fireplace	12
<i>EMS Encounters</i>			
Patients Transported	2009	Permits	
Derry	1712	Burning permits	1493
Auburn	127	Assembly permits	65
Chester	119	Blasting permits	14
Other communities	51	Plans Reviewed	68
Non- transport	708	Dispatches	
Derry	602	Derry	3730
Auburn	36	Auburn	458
Chester	35	Chester	369
Other communities	35	Hampstead	848
		Windham	1427
		SENH Haz-Mat	10

Apparatus/ Ambulance/ Vehicle	Emergency Responses	Apparatus/ Ambulance/ Vehicle	Emergency Responses
Battalion Chief	600	Rescue 1	61
Battalion Chief (2)	26	Rescue 4	23
Engine 1	1,917	Forestry 1	62
Engine 2	626	Forestry 2/Tanker	2
Engine 3	692		
Engine 4	917	Medic 1	1,434
		Medic 2	710
Truck 1	363	Medic 3	550
		Medic 4	194
Tank 1	113		

FINANCE DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2006 ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year 2006 was highlighted by a number of organizational changes and major projects within the Department. Assessing spent the year going through a town-wide revaluation process with the assistance of Vision Appraisal Technologies. This successful project will be highlighted in the Assessor's report that follows. In March, the Town transferred the responsibilities of Municipal Agent (primarily motor vehicle registrations) and the related employees from the Town Clerk to the Tax Collector to provide stronger financial oversight to that area, the Town's 2nd largest revenue source. Additionally, in June the Town went 'online' with the New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles, a move to enhance the level of service that will be provided to citizens. While this effort has met with some obstacles, we continue to evaluate this change and believe that it will result in a long-term benefit for citizens. The Tax Collector's report that follows will address this in more detail. The final department change occurred in late March with the addition of Human Services as a division of Finance. The Human Services Administrator reports to the Controller. This change was made to enhance the overall financial controls within Human Services and to provide more direct managerial oversight. A separate Human Services report follows as well.

Finance Division:

During this past year, the Finance Division assumed responsibility for the accounting, payroll and accounts payable of the Derry Public Library and the Taylor Library. Presentations were made to the Trustees of each Library offering these services, procedures were developed to perform these services and the Trustees subsequently approved the change, with the Derry Public Library's conversion taking place effective January 1, 2006 and the Taylor Library's commencing effective April 1, 2006. The assumption of these responsibilities by Finance frees up financial administrative time for the Libraries to refocus on the provision of Library services, while placing the responsibility for providing those financial services with a trained Finance staff.

The division activity continues to: provide financial services, information and training to other Town departments; provide financial information and recommend financial policy to the Town Administrator and Town Council; improve the reporting of quarterly financial information to the Finance Committee, the Town Council and the Citizens of Derry; and work with users of the MUNIS financial software system to insure there is understanding of the mechanics of this system and enable them to be more efficient users of the system.

In June of 2006, a \$2,000,000 bond was issued with the assistance of Citizens Bank. \$1,000,000 of the bond was for an addition to the Police Station and the other \$1,000,000 was additional funding for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Effluent Upgrade project. The twenty-year bond was sold to Eastern Bank Capital Markets in an open bid process that resulted in a rate of 4.3975% for the bond. As a part of this financing process, Moody's Investor Service reaffirmed the Town's solid rating of A1, stating that the "rating reflects the Town's stable financial position with healthy reserves, moderately-sized tax base with average socioeconomic indicators,

and a low debt burden.” The updated rating further stated that “The ability of the town to continue to improve or sustain current levels of reserves on a percentage basis over the medium-term may result in positive pressure on its credit rating in the future.”

The FY 2007 budget process went very smoothly as in past years. The Chief Financial Officer and Controller reviewed all budgets with Town departments before the draft budget was submitted to the Town Administrator for his consideration with department heads. Subsequent meetings with the Town Administrator, his budget review team and the various department heads were held to reach consensus on the budget that was then presented to the Town Council. The Town Council then held a series of public workshops with Town staff, as well as a public hearing, to review and discuss the budget, and make changes that they deemed appropriate. The final FY07 budget, including the capital improvement plan for FY07, was approved in mid-May 2006.

The Town’s finances continue to be in excellent shape, under girded by a healthy fund balance. While the FY 2006 audit is currently underway as I write this report, it is expected that fund balance will increase by approximately \$1 million, with approximately \$724,000 of that amount coming from increased interest income above the amount budgeted due to rising interest rate and the remainder coming primarily from prudent operations during FY 2006. I am again pleased to report that the Town’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended June 30 2005 (FY 2005) was awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting and has been achieved by the department every year since 1998.

Once the CAFR and audit for FY 2006 is completed, copies will be available at both Libraries, as are prior years’ reports, and the CAFR will be available on the Town’s web site, www.derry-nh.org. The complete budget for FY 2007 is available at both Libraries, with a summary copy available on the Town’s web site.

As the Town’s Chief Financial Officer, I am blessed with a dedicated, competent staff and I thank them for their work effort and professionalism. I particularly want to thank Controller Janice Mobsby and Tax Collector Pat Milone for their efforts in assuming the new responsibilities assigned to them and to Assessor Dave Gomez for managing a revaluation process, always a complex endeavor, in such an excellent manner.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank L. Childs
Chief Financial Officer

HERITAGE COMMISSION

The Heritage Commission is responsible for identifying, preserving, and promoting Derry's history. This past year has been an exciting one for the Heritage Commission. As in recent years, one of our main projects was continued work on the Museum of Derry Heritage, located on the bottom floor of the Benjamin Adams Memorial Building. The museum, which officially opened in October of 2003, is a constant work in progress. We are always in the process of scouting out new pictures, historic objects and artifacts, and historical "curiosities" to add to the museum's collection. Some displays are intended to be permanent, while other displays are rotated, in an attempt to keep the museum fresh and interesting, and to display as much of Derry's history as possible. The commission is pleased to be able to report that this past year, the town expanded the museum's space within the Benjamin Adams Memorial Building! The museum was given three additional rooms. Much time was spent planning the content and lay-out of this additional space. It was decided that one room will be devoted to Derry's hometown hero, Alan Shepard, and another room will be dedicated to displays which honor Derry's veterans from all wars. The third room will feature wall displays and an open center area, which can be set up for meetings, gatherings, and special presentations for groups which visit the museum. The commission would like to thank the Town of Derry for granting this additional, much-needed space to the museum.

As always, this year the commission was pleased to be able to answer many inquiries from individuals and groups seeking information regarding historical and genealogical matters. We also worked with the Town and various other town organizations, as needed, to give advice and counsel regarding historical matters. The commission has also continued the tradition of working with Derry schools, educating young people about local heritage.

The commission extends heart-felt thanks to all those townspeople, local businesses, and town officers who participated in our mission in their own way – be it by donating time, effort, useful items for the museum, or their own unique stories of Derry's history. Over the past year, we were grateful to receive many donations to our historical archives, which are always welcome. The commission would also like to take this opportunity to recognize two special commission members who both ended their terms this past year. We thank Phyllis Katsakiores, our outgoing council representative, for her faithful, enthusiastic service, and her tireless advocacy for Derry's history. We also would like to express our appreciation and admiration to long-time commission member, Marjorie Palmer, who retired from the commission this past year, after giving years of devoted service to the board. Mrs. Palmer's contributions to the commission were truly immeasurable, and she is already missed. At the same time, we give a hearty welcome to our new council representative, Janet Fairbanks, as well as new alternate member, Brian Buckley, and thank them both for their time and interest in the commission's work. Finally, we would be remiss if we closed this report without thanking our volunteers. We are fortunate to have a number of dedicated volunteers who give their time and energy to the museum and various other commission projects.

In closing, we invite anyone with an interest in town heritage to get in touch with us. We are available for guided museum tours, walking tours of Derry, talks and lectures to groups, and historic consultations. At the same time, if you might have historic items or pictures from Derry's past, we respectfully encourage you to consider donating or loaning them to the museum, for preservation and enjoyment by future generations. Thank you again to everyone who helped preserve Derry's history in this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Holmes, Chairperson

DERRY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Derry Highway Safety Committee was originally conceived to provide a means to access State and Federal funds for safety needs of the Town. The Committee started in the late 1960's and received funds for ambulances, police vehicles, radar units and many more worthwhile projects that have funneled into the Town of Derry by the Committee.

The Committee meets every third Thursday of the month at 9:00 am at the Derry Municipal Center on the 2nd floor, Room 207. The public is welcome to attend any meeting. All safety requests must be submitted in writing and forms may be obtained at the Derry Municipal Center.

The Committee is comprised of Citizens and Department Heads, Derry Police Chief, Edward Garone; Derry Fire Chief, George Klauber; Department of Public Works, Alan Cote, Supt. of Operations; and School Department, Jane Landry. Appointees are: Grant Benson, Jr., Chairperson; John Gleason, Tom Caron, Randall Chase, Tim Sharets, and Michael Gill. Sharon Trenholm is our Secretary.

This past year the Committee has had numerous requests for Stop, Slow, Yield, Caution, Children playing, Deer Crossing, Slow Children, No Parking, Speed Limit signs, Crosswalks, and brush trimming. These and others were acted upon as well as requests for Bus Stop Signs.

Other projects were: The CVS Drug Store, Walgreens Drug Store, a 26 unit development on Goodhue Road, a 35 unit development on Drew Rd and a 9 unit development on Maple Street.

Cemetery Road came up again so we added a stop sign on both roads coming off of East Derry Road to Cemetery Road.

The Derry Village rotary circle is again getting attention. Traffic in the circle has the right of way where as in the past traffic in the circle had to yield to vehicles trying to enter the circle. Vehicles are speeding into the circle without any regards for safety or vehicles already in the circle. Perhaps a stop sign at all entrances or maybe a set of lights would take care of some of the problem.

I believe vehicles are traveling too fast for the 19th century roads and they disregard oncoming traffic or adults and children trying to cross the streets.

Parking downtown is sometimes impossible. Owners & employees would rather park in front of their businesses and then blame the Town. It's time to use the public parking lots and leave the other spaces for customers.

A couple of developments on Windham Rd and Windham Depot Rd were looked at and passed with certain restrictions. Traffic signals are under review for the future.

I wish to thank all Departments for their assistance this past year. We are looking forward to working with you again next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Grant Benson Jr.
Chairman

Derry Housing & Redevelopment Authority
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It is my pleasure to submit the fiscal year 2006 Annual Report for the Derry Housing and Redevelopment Authority (DHRA). On June 26, 2006, I assumed the role of Executive Director for the DHRA. During my brief tenure at the Authority, I have come to recognize the quality of the DHRA staff, Board of Commissioners and Town officials with whom I have had contact. I look forward to a long and fulfilling career at the Authority, serving the needs of the community.

The DHRA Board of Commissioners has proven to be knowledgeable, hard-working and intent on seeing the organization succeed. Their support and guidance has been invaluable to me. Led by Chairman J.L. Sweeney, the Board is comprised of David Milz, Tom Hosey and Fred Tompkins. Ray Ainsworth was the tenant representative on the Board however he recently resigned. His past support for the DHRA is greatly appreciated. Within the next few months, it is my hope that a new tenant representative can be appointed to the Board.

The DHRA administers 100 units of Section 8 housing and owns 27 units of housing in the Town of Derry. These units provide much needed assistance to residents in need and the Authority takes a great deal of pride in the way the units are maintained and administered.

During the spring of 2006, the DHRA relocated its office from 17 Peabody Road to its current location at 29 West Broadway. We thank the Town for this space and the very professional look it provides the Authority. As a result of this move, we will be able to reconfigure the old office and create another unit of housing.

The 2005 fiscal year audit has recently been completed and I am pleased to report that the Authority has received a clean bill of health for its fiscal programs. The bottom line for 2005 was that the DHRA realized a profit, net of depreciation of approximately \$5,000. In addition to a clean fiscal audit, there were no compliance issues discovered in any DHRA programs. Thanks to the staff of the Authority for their hard work and professionalism.

The DHRA recently re-opened its Section 8 Waiting List. We received 18 applications, all but two being from Derry residents. We anticipate leaving the Waiting List open indefinitely.

Over the course of the past three months, we have revised, updated and created many needed policies and procedures that will ensure an efficient and effective operation of the Authority. In addition, we completed a maintenance survey of all Authority properties and have begun the process of affecting much needed repairs, in both the interior and exterior of our units. These repairs include those required by the Derry Fire Department.

I look forward to working collaboratively with the Town of Derry over the coming year in supporting the community we all serve. I thank the Board of Commissioners for their support and confidence, and I believe we will accomplish many good things for the community over the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert G. Fleig, PHM
Executive Director

Human Resources Annual Report – Fiscal Year 2006

The Human Resources Department strives to ensure that Town jobs are staffed effectively, that employees have meaningful, enjoyable and challenging career opportunities and that personnel administration activities are timely and accurate. The Department supports the administration of seven union contracts, provides recruiting assistance to Town departments, maintains personnel records, advises managers regarding the employment relationship and assists employees however possible.

Key Human Resources activities in Fiscal Year 2006:

- The Town determined that certain overtime pay practices did not comply with the federal Fair Labor Standards Act. Retroactive pay adjustment calculations for all employees who receive overtime pay have begun; the project will be completed by January 1, 2007.
- The Joint Labor-Management Health Plan Committee continued to meet to consider cost-effective alternatives to the Town's present health plans.
- The Town recruited and welcomed nineteen new employees in FY06 to fill vacant positions in Fire, Police, Public Works and Administration.
- Town of Derry employees participated in the 2005 Heritage United Way Campaign and pledged 200% more than the prior year.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Budreau

Larry Budreau
Director, Human Resources & Administration

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION FISCAL YEAR 2006 ANNUAL REPORT

The Human Service Division provided direct assistance of \$540,000 to a census of approximately 1100 unduplicated individuals within 400 families during the past year. Housing, utilities, food, and medical assistance were provided to the residents of Derry.

Nearly half of all payments made on behalf of residents were for rent or mortgage assistance. Impacting the high outlay associated with providing rental assistance locally, qualified applicants are waiting one to five years depending on the availability of housing through the Derry Housing Authority or the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority.

Thanks to the generosity of the community and all of our volunteers, both in time and financial assistance, the Town assisted at least 60 families during the 2005 holiday season. Much appreciation is extended to the individuals and businesses who took names from the "Giving Tree" located in the Municipal Center in order to fulfill a child's wish at the holidays.

In addition to direct assistance, the Human Services division funds \$150,000 to area agencies providing needed and useful service programs to the local residents of Derry. These agencies include: Community Health Services, Upper Room, Rockingham Community Action Program (CAP), Community Caregivers, Rockingham Nutrition and Meals on Wheels, Greater Derry/Greater Salem Cooperative Alliance for Regional Transportation, Community Alliance for Teen Safety, YWCA, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Sonshine Soup Kitchen, Seacoast Aids Response, and Seacoast Child Advocacy Center.

During 2006, responsibility for the Human Services division was redirected to the Finance Department. This change offers closer oversight and insures enhanced financial controls to a department whose budget has nearly doubled since 2003. Additionally, all procedures and practices are being reviewed and modified where appropriate.

With the ever increasing cost of human services, the town is beginning the process of divesting itself from involvement in areas where duplicated services are provided in the community. For example, the generous Greater Derry Track Club's Fun Run food donations have now been redirected to the local food pantries and soup kitchen. These changes are being made to allow town staff to focus more on the qualification and management of general assistance and to research and provide referrals to services available through other agencies available in our region in order to effectively match resources with local needs of our community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice A. Mobsby

Janice A. Mobsby
Controller

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

2006 proved to be another busy year for the IT/GIS Department.

The IT Department is currently supporting over 120 computers, 12 servers, internal email as well as a host of firewall, printing and peripheral hardware.

All our workstations are now leased with only servers purchased due to past experience regarding server useful life. Once again, the time and cost savings realized by leasing has been significant, allowing the IT department to function in a more timely and efficient manner. For the first time our "outbound" hardware normally reserved for the town auction was kept to a bare minimum.

Communications saw the majority of our focus in 2006. Our current Centrex phone contract expired in 2006. All copper lines associated with this service have now been replaced with digital phone service lines at a significant savings.

Forest Hill Cemetery, Animal Control and the Transfer Station are now part of our wide area network. Having direct communications with our network once again increased both efficiency and productivity. Derry's IT Department was instrumental in the implementation of the MAAP connection to the State of New Hampshire's motor vehicle database. On that note, Derry was one of the only communities that offered an alternate solution to connect to the MAAP servers in the long run saving the State of New Hampshire hardware costs.

On the application front our focus has been on our inspections departments; Fire, Health and Code Enforcement. We are in the midst of a complete conversion from paper source document to having all our inspection processes in digital format. A standard web browser will be all that is needed for our inspecting officers to view, schedule and track any part of the inspection and permitting process. All forms will be in digital format thus allowing future online interaction.

A future goal is a kiosk based system that will allow the public access to all our online applications, mapping and other services offered by the various departments.

GIS TECHNOLOGY

Once again the majority of our time was spent on day to day updates and additions as well as providing needed mapping to the various departments.

Projects currently being worked on include the Forest Hill Cemetery, D.F.D road map revisions. We have also started to plan in anticipation of our first major mapping update in 10 years. Another exciting technology that we will be implementing is called Pictometry. Pictometry is being funded by Homeland Securities grant money. This application is image based and allows the user to not only view an aerial photo of an area but provides oblique views as well. Needless to say this will be a boon to our departments that respond to emergency situations. Our current GIS files will integrate into this application as well.

Our current core GIS system has been upgraded in anticipation of bringing our GIS online to the public in 2007.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Rathburn
IT/GIS Manager

Derry Planning Board Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2006 was a challenging and busy year for the Derry Planning Board. In addition to the regular work of subdivision plan review and site plan review, the Planning Board has been engaged in revisions to the Land Development Control Regulations and to the Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Board reviewed 32 subdivision applications and reviewed 11 major site plan applications for new businesses. The Planning Board held 38 meetings during the past year. Please refer to the report of the Community Development Department for additional details.

In its planning role, the Planning Board forwarded a zoning revision to the Derry Town Council this past year with respect to an amendment to the signs and billboards ordinance and a proposed Open Space ordinance.

The Planning Board has also held workshops, begun reviewing plans using its Architectural Design Regulations and is making revisions to a revised Open Space ordinance, an amendment to the Independent Adult Community ordinance and an amendment to wetland buffers, all of which will be before the Town Council this coming year. The Planning Board will also have a challenging year next year during which time it will be reviewing and updating the current zoning districts and determining the need for multiple districts within each district and will be setting its goals for the upcoming year. The Planning Board will also be having joint meetings with the Town Council and Conservation Commission.

In closing, I would like to thank the board members who volunteer their time in service to the Town, the Town Administrator and Town department staff, particularly in the Community Development, Public Works and GIS departments, who provide the board with valued support and technical assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Roach

Virginia Roach
Chair, Derry Planning Board

DERRY POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2006

The Derry Police Department is currently staffed by 76 people, that number includes two animal control employees.

We are currently 1 person below our approved sworn officer allotment of 60 officers. That figure provides the community a police officer to citizen ratio of 1.63 officers per 1000 residents. The 1.63 officers per 1000 residents is slightly lower than our stated goal of 1.9 officers per 1000 residents. Utilizing the current population estimates provided by the State, the Town has a population of 36,000 people +/- . Utilizing that number as a basis to calculate, the department should have a sworn officer compliment of 68 officers. As you can see, the Town still needs to recruit and hire additional officers to meet that goal.

During fiscal year 2006, the department hired three people to fill vacancies. Officer Kevin Ruppell began working for the department on December 10, 2005. He is currently assigned as a patrol officer in the Operations Division. Dispatcher John Pickering was hired on April 9, 2005. He is currently assigned as a dispatcher in the Operations Division. Lastly, Kathy Malloy was hired on August 8, 2005 to fill a vacant receptionist position.

The Police Department continued the Victim/Witness Advocate program. Our advocate works closely with the department's prosecutor assisting victims/witnesses throughout the process of reporting a crime through the prosecution phase. This position since its inception was partially funded through a grant from the State of New Hampshire Department of Justice. In FY 06 the department assumed full responsibility for funding of the position. As the grant funding portion has expired and is no longer available.

The newly created domestic violence team continues to be a proactive approach to responding to the increasingly complex issues surrounding domestic violence. The team consists of three patrolmen, one detective, the victim/witness advocate and a sergeant. The domestic violence team was established to take a more aggressive approach to investigating domestic violence incidents and to provide a higher level of service to victims in these matters. The team has been well received by the community and other social service agencies that assist in these matters. Members of the team have received specialized training to help them provide the highest level of service to the community.

The Police Department continues to maintain a presence on the Internet. Department logs are posted and updated weekly. The web page has expanded greatly since last year. In addition to crime and traffic statistics, yearly reports and links to related sites, we now have a page devoted to educating citizens about fraud. The Fraud page provides information on everything from how to avoid becoming a victim and recognition of fraud to how to report a fraud if you do become a victim. We also added a link for citizens to access the State of NH sex offender registry. Lastly, an improved comments page has been added. The public can use this page to let us know how we're doing or leave a tip about a crime. Please visit the site by accessing it from the Town's Main Page www.derry-nh.org or directly at www.derrynhpolice.com your comments and feedback are welcome.

In FY 2005 the department began to aggressively train officers to investigate the complex

issues surrounding cyber crime. A group of officers have been trained to conduct forensic examinations of computer hard drives. We are in the process of equipping an office for the purpose of conducting these sometimes sensitive cases with the necessary computers and software. In addition to training officers to conduct these investigations two of our officers have become instructors and regularly conduct the training necessary to conduct these types of investigations.

In FY 2006 the town Council approved the construction of a 4000 square foot addition to the police Facility at 1 Municipal Drive.

The project began in the fall of 2005 and was substantially completed in the spring of 2006. The addition encompasses two floors of 2000 SF each and brings the total area of the main building to 16,500 SF. The addition allowed for the much needed expansion of several critical areas of the building including the dispatch room, evidence room, men's locker room, detective's offices to include a new cyber crime office, records storage facilities and administrative office space.

The attached crime statistics show that our activity level continues to remain high.

During calendar year 2005, we received 27,214 requests for police service which represents a slight decrease from the previous year. The number of arrests or summonses stayed statistically the same as the previous year. The number of arrests, 1,887 represents a decrease of 19 from the previous year. The total number of crime reports decreased slightly from 4,643 to 4,345.

We continue to apply for funding from the State to fund our OHRV enforcement efforts. During FY 06 we used grant funding to place our two four wheeled vehicles into service on the Rockingham Trail to conduct OHRV enforcement. The program continues to be well received by neighbors of the trail and others who used the trail. The comments from users were that they believed the trails were much safer for bicyclists, horseback riders and hikers as a result of our efforts.

We also applied for and received grant funding for the enforcement of underage drinking laws. We used the funds to conduct compliance checks of licensed establishments in our community. Our goal is to identify stores that are not using adequate procedures to keep under aged persons from acquiring alcoholic beverages.

During FY 06 we continued to work closely with the Derry School District, Superintendent's office to formulate and update safety plans to be used in all of the schools in the district. We have identified areas where we can enhance security in the schools and the District is taking the necessary steps to accomplish those changes. We obtained a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice – COPS program to assist the District in financing many of those changes.

We continue our efforts to implement bicycle patrols during the warmer months.

The department continues to staff the Animal Control Bureau with two full time animal control officers. These officers within the community provide various educational functions, assist people with various wildlife removals if possible, and field all dog related issues.

Calls Received	1615	Dogs picked up	122
Livestock at large	12	Dogs taken to rescues	18
Wildlife p/up live	15	Dogs Euthanized	1
Animals Picked up Deceased	50	Dog Bites	30
Written Warnings Issued	36	Nuisance Abatements Issued	9
Summons Issued	1	Fines/Fees	\$4871.00

The kennel received some blown in insulation this year to help with the cost of heating.

Animal Control in conjunction with the Recreation dept held the second annual Rabies Clinic down at the pound with great success, weather was great this year for the event.

This past fiscal year, the Animal Control Bureau received 1,615 requests for service. Those calls resulted with 122 dogs being picked up this year compared to approximately 144 during the last fiscal year.

We investigated 30 dog bite incidents this past year compared with 24 in the previous year, most were family pet related.

With all the new housing construction going on, wildlife calls were up, with the normal critters such as raccoons, skunks and fisher, as well as sightings of turkeys, moose and bear.

Animal Control also had three confirmed cases of Rabies this year. Animal Control worked closely with the Derry Health Department to provide information and precautions to the community about rabies.

Although their primary function has to do with canines, we have had the occasion to deal with many varieties of animals during the previous year. The gamut includes, but not limited to, hawks, cormorant, deer, raccoons, skunks and an occasional moose. The bureau works closely with the NH Fish and Game department to relocate some of the animals encountered.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward B. Garone

Edward B. Garone
Chief of Police

Offenses Reported 1996-2005

Group A Offenses Reported	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Arson	28	28	31	29	32	36	46	27	11	33
Assaults	650	556	566	572	695	757	688	476	581	578
Burglary	211	206	186	205	159	188	163	123	145	163
Drugs	129	102	93	93	124	127	141	133	165	170
Forgery	11	14	18	11	20	19	24	28	25	29
Fraud	19	17	14	19	30	57	120	115	174	180
Homicide	1	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
Kidnapping	16	12	11	7	13	12	12	12	22	19
Robbery	16	11	12	11	12	12	5	3	11	12
Sex Assaults	24	38	38	36	43	51	94	40	67	60
Stolen Property	14	34	26	27	38	27	33	38	54	39
Theft	658	657	554	596	548	697	530	562	531	643
Vandalism	535	564	449	498	599	535	682	813	825	662
Vehicle Theft	139	131	126	101	122	111	79	98	89	54
Weapons Violations	19	19	11	15	16	18	6	11	18	12
Sub Total	2470	2391	2137	2224	2453	2648	2623	2479	2719	2654

Group B Offenses Reported	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
All Other Offenses	591	811	773	694	781	791	703	1053	1254	1019
Bad Checks	15	45	29	25	48	19	10	19	25	19
Disorderly Conduct	25	14	25	24	35	34	20	23	25	29
Driving Under The Influence	181	136	147	146	139	186	150	133	130	132
Family Offenses	11	1	32	30	47	41	40	31	21	26
Intoxication	132	124	128	101	125	117	131	95	122	178
Liquor Law Violations	87	83	57	59	77	75	95	187	199	194
Runaways	86	115	184	146	154	115	74	68	77	42
Trespassing	30	30	28	56	67	70	78	78	71	52
Sub Total	1158	1907	1403	1281	1481	1448	1301	1655	1924	1691
Total Group A and B	3628	4298	3540	3505	3934	4096	3924	4134	4643	4345

Derry Police Department**Other Activity Totals****1996-2005**

Activity	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Incidents Logged	22982	21146	21598	21543	25467	25804	26151	24546	28180	27214
Arrests & Summonses	1354	1627	1330	1330	1635	1441	1465	1576	1906	1887

Traffic	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
MV Accidents	873	879	842	948	1004	976	876	842	895	857
Total MV Stops	6770	5726	5461	6112	8379	8603	10465	9072	11375	9586
Summonses	1511	1183	1542	1329	1916	1816	1623	1470	2002	1262
Warnings	5300	3901	4526	4783	6463	6787	8842	7933	8958	8324
Parking Tickets	814	697	1142	762	1208	1712	900	1329	737	1090

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Public Works Department provides a wide range of services to the residents we serve. The Department is tasked with providing vital community services such as maintaining the roads during Winter, processing solid waste, delivering safe drinking water, treating wastewater, parks and recreation management and code enforcement. The employees of the Public Works Department are a skilled and professional group who stand ready to provide these services on a daily basis.

Evidence of this commitment was exhibited in response to the flood events of May 12 and 13, 2006. The Town of Derry was inundated with over 10 inches of rain which placed the road network under severe strain with the need to close several roads due to erosion and other damage to culverts. The supervisors and employees worked tirelessly to reopen the roads. The Department employees should be commended for their teamwork and effort to quickly restore flooded roads to passable conditions.

The Public Works Department strives to deliver cost-effective services in a climate of inflated costs for fuel and construction materials. The cost for diesel fuel remained well over \$2.50 per gallon throughout most of FY 2006. These increased costs are also manifested in costs for products ranging from salt, asphalt, concrete and pipe materials. However, the Department goals were met for FY2006 while staying within the Town Council approved budget.

The highlights of the Department's nine (9) divisions are noted below:

CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The past construction year has seen residential permits for new dwellings continue at the same modest rate as last year with a total of 43 permits issues. It appears that this trend will continue into the coming year. Commercial and industrial activity increased from the previous year, which led to a substantial increase in permit fees collected for the Town. Some of the larger projects completed in the past year included two industrial structures on Corporate Drive, a CVS Pharmacy, a new Office Building, several medical office retrofits and the continuation of Active Adult Housing construction at Chase Mill and Bunker Estates.

These projects have kept department personnel very busy as division personnel are responsible for inspecting everything from residential decks to large industrial and commercial projects. In addition, the Code Enforcement Division responds to zoning compliance issues and complaints.

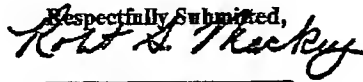
The Code Enforcement Division is currently in the process of incorporating a new software package that will allow access for the public for on-line permit applications and information. The software package will also feature a new permit and inspection tracking system for division personnel.

**OFFICE OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
TOWN OF DERRY, 14 MANNING ST.
PERMITS**

YEARLY REPORT FOR 2005/2006 FISCAL YEAR

TYPE OF PERMIT	NUMBER ISSUED	CONSTRUCTION COSTS	PERMIT FEES
Single Family	43	\$8,002,900.	\$ 67,276.00
33 Unit Residential	1	1,270,000.	28,515.00
Industrial	18	7,390,627.	67,720.00
Commercial	47	6,908,880.	31,478.00
Garages	33	1,034,100.	8,902.00
Swimming Pools	48	382,700.	1,710.00
Wells	41		1,200.00
Electrical	427	1,120,000.	11,376.25
Plumbing	135	536,700.	2,681.50
Utility Buildings	68	150,000.	1,560.00
Mobile Homes	4	301,000.	690.00
Signs	58		2,492.00
Additions/Remodeling	282	5,120,300.	32,534.00
Masonry/Chimneys	7	10,200.	100.00
Failed & New Septics	105		5,200.00
Renewals	6		175.00
Other Raze	19		425.00
TOTALS.....	1342	\$31,227,407.	\$264,054.75

Revenues for
Bldg. Permits \$264,054.75
Zoning 6,061.44
Mobile Licenses 1,100.00
Health 196.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert S. Mackey
Code Enforcement Director

TRANSFER STATION DIVISION

The Transfer Station Division continued its effort to provide cost-effective management of the Town's solid waste products. The Town of Derry is currently in the final year of a five year agreement with Maine Energy Recovery Corporation (MERC) for trash disposal. The Town will be seeking to renew its contract into 2011 to take advantage of favorable tipping fees.

The recycling rate was a 32% and the division processed 9900 tons of trash for FY2006. Strong commodity prices for products such as metals, cardboard and newspaper were key factors in generating approximately \$342,000 in revenues. Resident participation in recycling efforts reduces the operational costs for the Transfer Station.

Two Household Hazardous Waste Days were conducted during FY06. As in past years, the fall date is held in Londonderry and the spring date is held in Derry. Residents from both communities may dispose of household wastes such as paint, solvents and many other products on either day. The State of New Hampshire had previously furnished grant money for the administration of these dates. It appears that these funds will not be available in future years. The Town will explore ways to insure that this program continues in the future.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DIVISION

The Vehicle Maintenance Division is responsible for management of the Department's vehicle and equipment fleet. The division acquired and equipped a 10-wheel dump truck and Ford F550 truck, which will bolster the Highway Department's equipment during winter operations. The Division plays a key role in preparing the fleet for Winter Operations. The Vehicle Maintenance Division also repairs several plows and other snow-fighting equipment.

The Division is involved in preventative maintenance programs to extend the useful life of the Town's fleet.

PARKS & RECREATION DIVISION

This past fiscal year, the Parks & Recreation Division remained focused and committed to improving and enhancing the Town's park areas and priding safe and quality athletic programs and recreational activities.

Working with local athletic and civic organizations, the Department completed several collaborative projects. The main field at the Don Ball Park was effectively transformed into a state of the art game field, as the Derry Demons paid for the placement of sod, grandstand/bleachers, and scoreboard. The Wolverines Football Association also constructed a press box at Don Ball Park. The Town formalized a lease agreement with Derry Little League as the Division assisted the organization with constructing a new

concession stand with restrooms at O'Hara Field. Thanks and recognition is extended to all of our athletic groups who continue to improve the quality of our facilities.

The Division also completed several other park improvements including drainage improvements at Hood Park, new field lights at Rider Field, and an addition to the Alexander-Carr Lodge, which allow the Department to expand programming and services at this park location. The Department has taken over the Adopt-a-Spot program, as well as decorating the downtown and Opera House tree for the holiday season.

The Recreation Division has fully implemented the RecWare software system, which has made administrative operations more efficient. The Department continues offer numerous programs, activities, special events, and services, collaborating with and assisting many civic organizations in order to provide additional services to citizens.

The success of our operation and programming is contingent upon the support and input that we receive from the community. We would not be able to offer so many programs and services if it were not for our volunteers, as well as local businesses, clubs and civic organizations who work with us to forge a positive impact upon our greater community through recreational programming, opportunities, and experiences.

HIGHWAY DIVISION

Extreme weather variations seemed to be the norm this past year. The region experienced above normal temperatures over the winter season with little snow accumulation. While contract service for snow plowing was reduced, the numerous icing events resulted in a higher than normal consumption of salt. Overall, the Town's budget for winter maintenance was lower than normal. Late winter and early spring were very dry and for the first time in decades, there was no need to post weigh limits for the "mud season".

However, Mother Nature has a way of balancing things out. Mothers' Day weekend brought record breaking rainfall to Derry. The Public Works Department employees worked non-stop assessing damage, closing roads, and making repairs. At the height of the storm, 25 roads in Derry were rendered impassable and closed, many with significant damage. Within three days of the storm, all but two of the roadways had been restored enough to allow traffic to pass. Only North High Street and Island Pond Rd (State Highway) were still impassable. Within ten days of the end of the storm, North High Street was repaired and reopened to traffic. This work was completed with "in house" personnel. These costs were covered by a 75% FEMA reimbursement as a result of a Federal Disaster Declaration.

Numerous roadways were reclaimed and overlaid over the past year. Most notably, Gulf Road was reclaimed from end to end. This roadway became extremely busy during the closure of Island Pond Road as it served as the main detour route.

In addition to normal maintenance and emergency response, the Highway Division received funding approval for a new Highway Garage, The existing property is being

marketed and the proceeds from the sale will help to fund construction of a new facility to be constructed on land at the Transfer Station. It has been over 40 years since any improvements have been made to the Highway facility.

CEMETERY DIVISION

The Cemetery Division received funding for the construction of an expansion to the Forest Hill Cemetery. The existing cemetery has few remaining lots available for sale and this will be an important project to complete. The Public Works Department is awaiting state approval of its plans. Construction was planned for the late summer or early fall 2006, however, delays in receiving permitting may result in a delay to Spring 2007 for construction. In addition to full burial plots, the new section will also have cremation lots and cremation niches providing additional options to the residents of Derry.

BUILDING & GROUNDS DIVISION

The Building and Grounds Division undertook a Building Master Plan this year. The purpose of this plan is to carefully review the needs of the Town owned buildings to prioritize the immediate needs and long range needs of each facility. This will allow the division to better plan capital improvements to avoid years where every building needs large expenditures.

The Police Department addition was also completed this year increasing the workload for the Buildings and Grounds personnel. The additional space has strained division personnel to provide on demand custodial and preventative maintenance services to all of the buildings under their management.

WATER DIVISION

For the third consecutive year the average annual Water usage for Derry's municipal water customers declined. This year the Water Division saw a 3.5 % decrease in water consumption to 1.31 million gallons per day while metered service accounts increased from 3,927 to 3,946. As a result of continued declines in sales and cost increases including another wholesale water rate increase from Manchester Water Works, the Town Council adopted a revised rate schedule which was effective with the September 2005 billing. This resulted in an average annual increase of 17% for the single family residential customer's water bill.

In our ongoing effort to improve meter reading efficiency and accuracy the Water Division replaced 326 existing meters with new Orion radio read modules and 36 existing meters with Trace radio read modules. 123 conventional meter replacements were also completed in FY2006.

The Town also replaced 1,525 feet of water line with new 12 inch ductile iron main and replaced 3 fire hydrants on Gamache Road.

The Derry Water Systems continue to comply with all EPA primary drinking water quality standards.

WASTEWATER DIVISION

The Wastewater Treatment Plant was overwhelmed by the flooding of May 2006, As a result of several days of unprecedented rains the average wastewater flow into the Plant peaked at over 9 million gallons per day with some of this flow being diverted into Beaver Brook. By comparison, our typical May flows average 2.2 million gallons per day. As a result the average annual wastewater discharge from municipal sewer customers for FY2006 averaged 1.89 million gallons per day, a 20% increase over last year. However since most of this flow was stormwater inflow and infiltration and not billable use, the actual metered sewer use for FY2006 was actually down 4% from 2005. Municipal sewer accounts also increased from 2,954 in 2005 to 2984 in 2006. With the declining sales of sewer usage and increased costs, the Town Council adopted a revised rate schedule which was effective with the September 2005 billing. This resulted in an average annual increase of 20% for the single family residential customer's bill.

The Derry Wastewater Treatment Plant's Effluent Force Main Improvements Project has begun with the construction of a new Plant Upgrade, a new lift station in Londonderry and approximately 4,000 feet of piping upgrades in both Londonderry and Litchfield. Project completion is scheduled for December of 2006 and will add over 3 million gallons per day of discharge pumping capacity to the Wastewater Treatment Plant which discharges to the Merrimack River.

Construction has been completed of the 2,600 linear feet of new sewer interceptors and mains to the South Range School including Bradford Street and portions of Muzzy Lane, Drury Lane, Upstone Lane and Briarwood St. in Sunset Acres. New connections have also begun by area residents.

The Wastewater Division continues to comply with all EPA wastewater discharge permit requirements.

Respectfully,

Michael A. Fowler

Michael A. Fowler, P.E.
Director of Public Works

Subject: Annual Report of Supervisors of Checklist

The fiscal year 2005-2006 was an eventful one for the Checklist Supervisors. We were introduced to a new state wide database which consumed much of our time through training. This has become a continuing process. We have and still are attending training sessions to learn more and work out the“bugs”in the program. This new database now places a broader scope of work for the supervisors as the position now requires greater computer skills and much more time on the job. During the year John Gleason resigned and his unexpired term filled by Roland Routhier. Roland has many years working at the polls has the computer skills so necessary for this position.

This new state program now requires action letters to voters as we enter new voters, make changes, and publish a newly structured checklist. The result more costs in mailings and publishing the checklist will affect the budget.

We are also very fortunate to have a very competent vendor LHS Associates who structures and prints our checklist for all elections.

As planned, we now have two new lap top computers installed in our office. They can also be transported to the polling places for use at elections. During the year we have extensive help from Doug Rathburn and Nancy Bulens installing software and equipment for us and it is much appreciated.

In conclusion and at this writing we have 18,610 registered voters and we wish to extend our thank Denise Neale, our Town Clerk, for continued on board help and other town employees who have aided us during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

**Mayland P. Lewis, Chairman
Peter Correia
Roland Routhier**

TAX COLLECTION DIVISION FISCAL YEAR 2006 ANNUAL REPORT

This fiscal period marked some unprecedented changes to the Town and also the Tax Collector's Office functions. The first is the consolidation of the East Derry Fire Precinct and the Derry Fire Department which results in the elimination of the East Derry Fire tax rate beginning in the 2006 tax year. The final East Derry Fire District rate of \$1.68 for the 2005 tax year included operation costs for the precinct from January 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. The 2005 tax rate was set at \$27.03 per thousand of property valuation, a 5.7% increase from 2004. Necessary changes to the computer software and answering the many inquiries from taxpayers and financial institutions made this a very busy billing period. Also, upon the retirement of Town Clerk Marjorie Swanson, duties as the Town's Municipal Agent were reassigned from the Town Clerk to the Tax Collector in March. The Tax Collector's Office gained employees Nancy Butts, Deborah Pratt and Lorene Pirello, along with performing the task of motor vehicle registration. This change allows for the second largest revenue producing function to be part of the Town's Finance Department. Set forth below are the number of motor vehicle permits issued in FY06 and the revenue from each of the related sources:

Motor Vehicle permits – 39,344:	\$ 4,804,993.08
Title Fees:	18,440.00
State Decal Fees:	87,885.00
Transportation Improvement Fees:	<u>184,535.00</u>
Total:	<u>\$ 5,095,853.08</u>

On June 12, 2006, all motor vehicle transactions were processed in conjunction with the NH Department of Safety's MAAP Program. By being "online" with the State, more functions can be performed for citizens such as issuance of initial and moose plates, replacement registrations, decals and plates, and the ability to process late renewals and registrations for vehicles weighing up to 26,000 pounds. Cross training has been ongoing as we all have much to learn from each other in our newly blended division. These new tasks resulted in longer transaction times and days when our residents have been and continue to be very understanding as we continue learning the new software and communicate with the State's database on every transaction. **Thank you, residents, for your patience and kindness during this transitional time.**

E-REG (Electronic Registration, available thorough the Town's webpage at www.derry.nh.us) and registration renewal by mail are the alternatives to conducting your motor vehicle transactions in person. You are encouraged to use these to avoid the long waits that are unavoidable, particularly at the beginning and end of each month, when waiting to process your renewal in person.

Tax collections have remained stable and no properties were taken by Tax Collector's Deed during this past year. The town-owned property at 11 Hampshire Drive was auctioned on December 16, 2005 with the successful bid being \$242,950.00. After all taxes, liens, interest,

penalties and costs were paid, the former owner was compensated in accordance with RSA 80:88
- Disposition of Proceeds from the Sale of Tax-Deeded Property.

The MS-61 Tax Collector's Report for this fiscal period follows.

Please visit the Town's website for additional information about the Tax Collector's Office at www.derry-nh.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Milone

Patricia M. Milone
Tax Collector

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FOR THE TOWN OF DERRY, NH - FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006**

Levy for Year of This Report

2006	2005	Previous
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CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER DURING FISCAL YEAR:

PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 24,716,731.22	\$ 36,270,535.54	\$ 643.78
LAND USE CHANGE	31,300.00	188,550.00	600.00
YIELD TAXES	1,359.93	720.02	18.20
WATER	599,412.43	1,260,988.82	
SEWER	608,881.26	1,155,906.96	
SEWER BETTERMENT	55,570.88	91,039.71	
WATER BETTERMENT	9,251.60	18,360.21	
INTEREST ON DELINQUENT TAX		125,034.19	51.55
EXCAVATION TAX			
CONVERSION TO LIEN		1,154,186.56	
ADVANCED CUSTOMER PAYMENTS-TAX		31,488.96	
ADVANCED CUSTOMER PAYMENTS-WATER		2,506.01	

ABATEMENTS MADE:

PROPERTY TAXES		307,291.22	
LAND USE CHANGE		13,750.00	
YIELD TAXES			
WATER	4,560.91	21,429.37	
SEWER	1,470.95	9,817.75	
SEWER BETTERMENT		494.28	
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED			
EXCAVATION TAX			
MISC CREDIT - TAX BILL ERROR		2,860,753.28	

UNCOLLECTED TAXES END OF PERIOD:

PROPERTY TAXES	6,047,645.44	9,041.68	
LAND USE CHANGE	0.00		
YIELD TAXES	475.00		
WATER	270,650.39		
SEWER	264,690.34		
SEWER BETTERMENT	12,188.38		
WATER BETTERMENT	4,096.11		
EXCAVATION TAX			
ADVANCE CUSTOMER PAYMENTS-TAX		260,262.61	
ADVANCE CUSTOMER PAYMENTS-UTILITY		4,362.97	

TOTAL CREDITS

\$ 32,628,284.84	\$ 43,786,520.14	\$ 1,313.53
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**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FOR THE TOWN OF DERRY, NH - FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006**

Levy For Year of This Report

	2006	2005	Previous
DEBITS			
UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEGINNING OF YEAR*			
PROPERTY TAXES	\$ -	\$ 4,540,669.82	\$ 643.78
LAND USE CHANGE TAX		89,870.00	600.00
YIELD TAXES		0.00	18.20
WATER		191,723.35	
SEWER		216,922.09	
SEWER BETTERMENT		23,712.90	
WATER BETTERMENT		3,494.99	
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR			
PROPERTY TAXES	30,764,021.96	36,000,481.51	
LAND USE CHANGE TAX	31,300.00	100,550.00	
YIELD TAXES	1,834.93	720.02	
WATER	874,623.73	1,090,630.47	
SEWER	875,042.55	948,802.62	
SEWER BETTERMENT	67,759.26	67,821.09	
WATER BETTERMENT	13,347.71	14,865.22	
EXCAVATION TAX		0.00	
OVERPAYMENTS			
REFUNDS DUE TO TAX ABATEMENTS/COR		60,656.95	
REFUNDS DUE TO OVERPAYMENTS	354.70	291,751.57	
ADVANCE CUSTOMER PAYMENTS-TAX		4,362.97	
ADVANCE CUSTOMER PAYMENTS-UTILITY		2,506.01	
WATER REFUND			
SEWER REFUND			
CURRENT USE REFUND DUE TO ABATEMENT		11,880.00	
WATER REFUND DUE TO ABATEMENT		64.37	
INTEREST ON DELINQUENT TAX		125,034.19	51.55
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 32,628,284.84	\$ 43,786,520.14	\$ 1,313.53

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FOR THE TOWN OF DERRY, NH - PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2006**

DEBITS	<u>2005</u>		<u>2004</u>		<u>PRIOR LEVIES</u> <u>2003</u>		<u>2002 & Previous</u>
UNREDEEMED LIENS BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF FISCAL YEAR		\$	759,788.25	\$	316,089.95	\$	177,090.47
LIENS EXECUTED DURING FISCAL YEAR	\$ 1,154,186.56						
INTEREST & COSTS COLLECTED AFTER LIEN EXECUTION	3,811.93		51,237.83		82,565.26		36,134.96
OVERPAYMENTS			213,922.45		195,484.22		146,134.79
EXCESS DEBIT					40.50		40.00
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$ 1,157,998.49</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,024,948.53</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>594,179.93</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>359,400.22</u>
 CREDITS							
REMITTANCE TO TREASURER	\$ 246,419.95	\$	443,705.28	\$	243,179.66	\$	145,722.32
INTEREST/COSTS AFTER LIEN EXECUTION	3,811.93		51,237.83		82,565.26		36,134.96
EXCESS CREDIT							5.11
ABATEMENT OF UNREDEEMED TAXES	596.64		217,687.97		197,872.62		146,768.97
LIENS DEEDED TO MUNICIPALITIES							
UNREDEEMED LIENS BALANCE END OF PERIOD	907,169.97		312,317.45		70,562.39		30,768.86
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$ 1,157,998.49</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,024,948.53</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>594,179.93</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>359,400.22</u>

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE

Patricia Mulone

DATE

8/23/06

Corrected 9/18/06 pm

TAYLOR LIBRARY

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Once again this year we broke all records for attendance at our various programs for adults and children. Our Adult Book Group continued to be active from September through May. We welcome any adult who would like a night out at the library to discuss popular fiction and nonfiction.

We continue to have full story hours. Because of the numbers of children we still have to turn away, we have added another story hour each week. We now hold 6 preschool story hours per week with an average of 12-15 children in each class. We hold 3 story hours for 2 & 3 year olds on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays at 10AM. On Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays at 1 PM we hold story hours for ages 4-6. Even with the addition of this extra story hour, we continue to turn children away, especially in the 2 & 3 year old group.

Last December because of the overwhelming success of previous year's Polar Express Story Hours, we had to add another "trip" to the North Pole. We held these stories on three successive evenings with 14 children riding the train to the North Pole to visit with Santa Claus. We applied for a grant with Wal-Mart at their Distribution Center in Raymond and were awarded it. With this money we bought our own preschool chairs for this event. We thank Nutfield School for the many years of borrowing their chairs for each night's program. We no longer have to slip and slide on the ice carrying the chairs back and forth from the school to the library and then again back after the program so they can use the chairs for the next day's classes.

Marge Palmer and Serena Levine once again presented their Holiday Readings for Adults in December. Refreshments were made by the staff and trustees of the library.

The Summer Reading Program once again broke all records. 153 children registered for the 5 week program. 91 children actually turned in reading charts totaling 6,103 books read for the summer. Canobie Lake Park again donated all day passes for our grand prize drawing. We would like to thank the following businesses for donating certificates used in making the program a great success:

Clam Haven	Moo's Place Ice Cream	Apple Tree Cinema
Fisher Cats Baseball	Petals & Cream	
Flagship Cinema	Shaw's Supermarket	
Hannaford Supermarket	Victorian Park Golf	

The Derry Friends once again donated money to help defray the cost of entertainment for the summer. We were able to hire Almodarr's Grand Illusion Show. We held this at the Opera House in Derry. Thank you for allowing us to use this beautiful space to hold our program. We also were able to hire Partner's in Rhyme. Those two shows were a combined effort by Taylor Library and The Derry Public Library.

We would also like to thank Eric Bodenrader and Barbara Beliveau at the Derry Parks and Recreation Department for sponsoring our kick-off program in June. This was also a combined venture with both libraries and Parks and Recreation.

We have renewed our Boston Aquarium Pass. Come and check out our other library passes we have available.

BUILDING UPDATE

We continue to accept donations to our Building Fund in hopes of a future expansion to our building. At the moment we are on hold with this expansion as we continue our joint discussions with both boards of Trustees, our Town Council Reps and our Town Administrator. We continue to explore options as to the best way to serve the Town of Derry with Library Services. We continue to jointly sponsor programming and collaborate with each other whenever possible

OTHER

In April, the Town Council approved our request to automate the Taylor Library. This project will start in September and will probably take a year to complete. We are attempting to do the conversion ourselves to save the town money.

Also this past year we had our "Hot Spot" wired for public access. We do have one computer available for the public to come in and use for the internet. You can also bring your own laptops in and hook into our system. Why not on a beautiful day, drive over and use our picnic area and hook into the internet with your laptop.

Our Website is also up and running. Please check it out for updates on programming, renewing library books or asking questions of our staff. You can find as at:
www.taylorlibrary.org

On behalf of the Trustees at the Taylor Library and the staff, I would like to personally invite you to visit the "Little Library" on the hill to see what we have to offer. You will certainly be surprised at what we do here.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Merrill
Director

Town Clerk Report

With the incumbent Marjorie Swanson's retirement in March, 2006, changes have been implemented to the Town Clerk's Office. I have been appointed by the Town Council to fill Ms. Swanson's term until March 2007; at which time I intend to be a candidate for this office.

On March 16, 2006, the MV Registrations and employees were transferred to the Tax Collector's office. This allowed the Town Clerk's Office to handle more specific administrative duties, which are related to State & Town business as applied by State Statute. The Town Clerk beginning in FY07 will be recording and transcribing the Town Council meetings.

In April we made some changes to better serve the citizens of Derry. There are now forms at the Town Clerk's window to fill out when you wish to obtain, Vital Records and Dog licenses. This also serves as a convenience when the office is temporarily closed. Simply fill out the form and enclose payment. You have the option to pickup your request or have it mailed to you as soon as it is completed. These forms have also been added to our website, www.derry-nh.us/townclerk.

In March, Town Elections brought 2072 registered voters to the polls.
In May, the Town held a Special Election to elect nine members to the Town Charter Commission. This election brought 1865 registered voters to the polls.
We have 18,547 registered voters in Derry. Please exercise your right vote.

In June, the State of NH implemented Electro-net a statewide database for voter registration and election history. Training is ongoing for the Town Clerk and the Supervisors of the Checklist. We are working together to create a united elections process.

Marriage Intention applications can be obtained from the Town Clerk as there are specific pieces of documentation needed to file for a Marriage License. Wednesday evenings have been very busy with this process April – June 2006. (After July 4, 2006 there is no longer a 3 day waiting period)

In April and May, dog licensing caused long lines. To rectify this for 2007, citizens will either be emailed a reminder or mailed an application for renewal. We hope to institute an online dog registration program when it becomes available.

At the end of June, Ruth Robinson was hired part-time as the Town Clerk's Assistant. She has done very well acclimating to the office and learning the State and Local Statutes that apply to this office. Welcome Ruth and thank you for your commitment.

Reminders, renew your Dog license by April 30th, 2007. Register to vote no later than 10 days prior to any election. Please feel free to contact the office with questions relating to voting, dog licensing, vital records or Marriage license.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise E. Neale, Town Clerk

Town Clerk's Revenue Report

July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006

Dog License	2237		\$ 9707.50
	(Total # Registered)		
Dog Fines & Kennel Fees			\$ 5140.00
UCC Records			\$ 4616.00
Marriage Licenses	239	Town`	\$ 1673.00
	(Total # Processed)	State	\$ 9082.00
Vital Records			
(Birth, Death & Marriage Certificates)		Town	\$12764.00
	7009	State	\$23800.00
	(Total # of Copies Issued)		
Misc. Fees			\$ 3125.70

RESIDENT VITALS RECORDED

July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006

Births	215
Marriages	171
Deaths	211

TOWN OF DERRY
TREASURER'S REPORT
JUNE 30, 2006

Beginning Balance, July 1, 2005 \$ 48,182,103.03

Revenue Receipts:

Received from Tax Collector	\$	73,984,600.43
Received from Town Clerk	\$	3,646,090.67
Received from Libraries	\$	51,439.28
Interest Earned on Investments	\$	1,576,994.02
Received from State/County	\$	3,432,661.94
Received from Federal Funds	\$	5,259.89

Total Revenue Receipts \$ 82,697,046.23

Other Revenues:

Received from Capital Projects/Other Funds	\$	-
Grants	\$	-
Trust Funds		
BAN/BOND	\$	2,002,131.67
Capital Lease	\$	-

Total Other Revenue \$ 2,002,131.67

Disbursements:

Council Orders to Pay	\$	88,079,846.18
Voided Checks	\$	(601,574.51)
NSF Checks	\$	(3,074.87)

Total Disbursements \$ 87,475,196.80

Ending Balance, June 30, 2006 \$ 45,406,084.13

Rita M Correia
Treasurer

TOWN DERRY
GENERAL FUND
TREASURER'S REPORT FY 2008

	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 48,182.103.03	\$ 48,871.416.58	\$ 41,488.489.46	\$ 39,911.770.26	\$ 28,480.314.61	\$ 32,928.861.32	\$ 49,128.631.61	\$ 44,236.636.87	\$ 40,440.377.20	\$ 38,619.270.95	\$ 30,010.504.24	\$ 23,014.371.67	\$ 45,405.084.13
REVENUE RECEIPTS													
TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 3,883,128.70	\$ 971,033.85	\$ 1,629,079.99	\$ 1,271,528.35	\$ 8,789,665.09	\$ 23,063,819.03	\$ 1,806,054.38	\$ 871,256.63	\$ 2,046,882.13	\$ 1,592,281.48	\$ 1,890,724.63	\$ 28,530,046.17	\$ 73,884,800.43
TOWN CLERK	\$ 459,422.00	\$ 477,877.57	\$ 421,358.06	\$ 405,564.80	\$ 422,338.55	\$ 380,603.10	\$ 422,449.65	\$ 408,666.58	\$ 222,750.10	\$ 9,194.03	\$ 9,163.50	\$ 7,782.33	\$ 3,846,090.67
INTEREST EARNED	\$ 126,126.20	\$ 147,000.27	\$ 125,027.63	\$ 106,663.08	\$ 93,739.88	\$ 154,026.50	\$ 179,145.89	\$ 150,226.12	\$ 150,939.21	\$ 120,827.25	\$ 121,651.06	\$ 101,220.88	\$ 1,578,984.02
STATE/COUNTY	\$ 64,220.22	\$ 455,548.00	\$ 249,594.78	\$ 613,082.06	\$ -	\$ 1,567,937.70	\$ 127,439.50	\$ 1,392.77	\$ 151,182.78	\$ 117,848.78	\$ 75,193.81	\$ 8,223.53	\$ 3,432,881.94
FEDERAL FUNDS													
LIBRARY							\$ 4,286.41	\$ 2,141.21	\$ 3,898.20	\$ -	\$ 3,984.88	\$ 5,259.89	\$ 5,259.89
TOTAL	\$ 4,531,897.12	\$ 2,051,457.69	\$ 2,425,060.46	\$ 2,387,136.29	\$ 9,305,749.92	\$ 25,186,286.33	\$ 2,336,385.90	\$ 1,433,883.31	\$ 2,575,652.43	\$ 1,914,136.42	\$ 1,974,726.95	\$ 29,682,877.41	\$ 82,697,046.23
OTHER RECEIPTS													
CAPITAL PROJECTS												\$ -	\$ -
ESCROW/RETAINAGE												\$ -	\$ -
TRUST FUNDS												\$ -	\$ -
BAN/BOND												\$ -	\$ -
CAPITAL LEASE												\$ -	\$ -
WMAF												\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,002,131.67	\$ 2,002,131.67
PAYMENTS													
ORDERS TO PAY	\$ 5,675,912.47	\$ 7,443,161.25	\$ 3,897,715.97	\$ 13,837,529.89	\$ 4,904,630.21	\$ 8,973,017.90	\$ 7,248,481.88	\$ 5,575,501.15	\$ 6,827,403.21	\$ 8,476,355.59	\$ 8,864,588.60	\$ 6,304,566.28	\$ 88,078,846.18
VOID CHECKS	\$ (30,688.12)	\$ (5,732.24)	\$ (4,037.44)	\$ (10,776.89)	\$ (51,204.77)	\$ (6,982.89)	\$ (6,441.12)	\$ (345,348.53)	\$ (133,485.64)	\$ (1,846.23)	\$ (2,387.60)	\$ (2,553.60)	\$ (601,574.51)
NSF CHECKS	\$ (6,660.79)	\$ (1,044.20)	\$ 6,101.13	\$ 1,639.84	\$ 5,772.07	\$ (1,518.97)	\$ (9,680.12)	\$ (209.64)	\$ 2,651.41	\$ (510.17)	\$ 8,690.80	\$ (8,716.04)	\$ (3,074.87)
TOTAL	\$ 5,642,563.57	\$ 7,436,384.81	\$ 3,899,779.66	\$ 13,828,893.64	\$ 4,859,197.51	\$ 8,964,516.04	\$ 7,230,380.64	\$ 5,229,842.98	\$ 8,496,758.88	\$ 8,422,803.13	\$ 8,870,858.52	\$ 6,293,296.62	\$ 87,475,188.60
ENDING BALANCE	\$ 46,871,418.66	\$ 41,488,489.46	\$ 39,911,770.26	\$ 28,480,314.91	\$ 32,928,861.32	\$ 49,128,631.61	\$ 44,236,636.87	\$ 40,440,377.20	\$ 38,619,270.95	\$ 30,010,504.24	\$ 23,014,371.67	\$ 45,405,084.13	\$ 45,405,084.13

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is currently made up of 5 regular members and 4 alternates. The Zoning Board hears and decides appeals and administers special provisions in the Zoning Ordinance including those that deal with Variances, Special Exceptions, and Equitable Waivers. In each case, the Zoning Board attempts to balance the rights of the individual, and the health, safety and general welfare of the community.

The Zoning Board holds their regularly scheduled meetings on the first and third Thursday of each month @ 7:00 PM. The meetings are conducted in the Municipal Center @ 14 Manning Street.

The following is a list of the current members of the Zoning Board: Mark Wiseman, Chairman; Allan Virr, Vice Chairman; Cecile Cormier, Secretary; Michael Demeo and Andrew Myers. Alternate members include Christopher Lunetta, Randall Chase, Dana Tripp, and Albert Dimmock.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the members of the Zoning Board, who take the time to serve the community on a volunteer basis. I would also like to thank our Recording Secretary, Ginny Rioux and the staff of the Code Enforcement Office, Gloria Hebert, Bob Mackey and Fred Kelley, for their continued administrative support and assistance at meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark D. Wiseman
Chairman

